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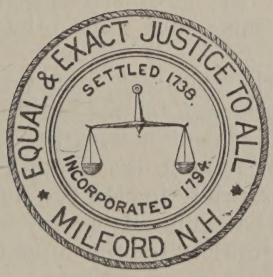

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1898.

WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING.

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Milford, in the County of Hillsboro', in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs :

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town House, in said Milford, on Tuesday, the eighth day of March next, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects :

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year, and make appropriation of the same.

3. To hear the reports of all town officers, agents and committees, and pass any vote relating thereto.

4. To see if the town will vote to purchase 500 feet of hose and raise and appropriate money for the same.

5. To see if the town will vote to employ a night watchman and raise and appropriate money for the same.

6. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the building and repairing of highways, bridges and sidewalks.

7 To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the fire department.

8. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of schools.

9. To see if the town will vote to rescind any or all of the votes heretofore passed in relation to the care, control and management of the Milford Water Works, adopt any new plan for the care, control and management of the same, or pass any vote or votes in relation thereto.

10. To see if the town will vote the military company the free use of the Town Hall for drill purposes one evening each week during the ensuing year.

11. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for lighting streets and Town House.

12. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for Town House repairs.

13. To see if the town will vote to reinsure the Town House and raise and appropriate money for the same.

14. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the free library.

15. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for sewers.

16. To see if the town will vote to build a new school house at East Milford and raise and appropriate money for the same.

17. To see if the town will vote to purchase a watchman's electric register and raise and appropriate money for the same.

18. To see if the town will vote to sell Souhegan engine, No. 2, or take any action relating thereto.

19. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for Memorial Day.

Given under our hands and seal the 21st day of February, in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and ninety-eight.

F. W. ORDWAY,
F. J. KENDALL,
G. A. WORCESTER,
Selectmen of Milford.

REPORT OF SELECTMEN, 1897-8.

To the Citizens of Milford:

Again it is our pleasure, as it is our official duty, to lay before you an account of our stewardship, to the end that all may have an intelligent understanding of the manner in which their municipal affairs are conducted.

At the last annual meeting the fact that our tax rate had in five years increased from one dollar and twenty-five cents to two dollars on each hundred of valuation was impressed upon the minds of the voters, and a beginning was made looking toward a lower rate. During the year we have ever had this idea in view, and have given careful consideration to the expenditure of money. We have thus been enabled to report a reduction of our floating debt of over five thousand dollars. Only a continuation of the same policy can prevent an increase of the tax rate, and the voters should carefully consider every appropriation asked for.

Several new laws passed at the last session of the legislature have affected our expenditures. By one of them we were obliged to appoint a board of health to look after the sanitary condition of the town, a duty that was performed last year by the selectmen at no extra cost to the town. The board appointed have, we believe, been faithful in the discharge of their duty and at small cost to the town. Another compelled us to build new fences around the West and Union street cemeteries. Our failure to do so would have caused their erection by the county commissioners. These grounds are now well enclosed and will need no extraordinary expenditure for many years. Another law, changing the pauper settlements, relieved the town of the support of several of the poor who had formerly been town charges. This relieved us somewhat this

year, but we shall now have an increased county tax, and time alone will tell if the change is a benefit to this town.

The reduction of the appropriation for electric lighting caused the rearrangement of our street lights and their decrease in number. This was in the opinion of the board the wisest thing to do rather than to run them all until the money was gone and then be in total darkness. We recommend an appropriation large enough to provide the same number of lights we had a year ago.

Acting under the discretion given us at the last annual meeting, we continued the Liquor Agency until July first, when it was closed, as we believe for the good of all concerned.

During the year the Town House roof, which was in a bad condition, has been thoroughly repaired, and is now well adapted for the purpose for which it was intended. The roof of the library building will require attention the coming year. This, with the building of a new fence in front of the town house, will require a small appropriation.

The tenants in the stores owned by the town have not seen fit to put in new windows, as they were given permission to last year, but we have given them leases of them for a term of five years, at an increased rental of twenty-five per cent.

The town has for many years voted to employ a night watchman, and with an increase of population, the need of such an officer has been made apparent; but heretofore no one but the officer himself has known whether he was doing his duty after the people left the streets. We believe that this department of police duty should be conducted upon strict business principles, and the town should know that they are getting that for which they pay their money. We recommend the installation of an electric register, similar to those used in all city police departments.

During the year a petition was presented the board asking for the widening and straightening of Amherst street, near the north end of the stone bridge. The consideration of this petition naturally divided itself

into three divisions, viz.: where are the bounds of the present street? The question of public necessity, and does the necessity warrant the outlay of much money in our present financial condition?

We have given the petitioners several hearings upon the matter, have carefully examined the records relating to the laying out of Amherst street, and have had a partial survey made, and are unanimously of the opinion that the present bounds should be located before the next step is taken, and as it is impossible to make another survey with snow on the ground, we recommend that the petition be withdrawn, and if they thought best another could be presented to the next board of selectmen.

Respectfully submitted:

F. W. ORDWAY,
F. J. KENDALL,
G. A. WORCESTER,
Selectmen of Milford.

Suppiies for Town House.

W. F. French,	$ 6 24	
J. T. & E. B. Burns, wood,	1 75	
Emerson & Son,	4 90	
Gilbert & Baker Co., gasoline and chimneys,	84 75	
E. M. Parker, teaming and freight,	58 70	
Geo. W. Tarbell, teaming and freight,	1 61	
B. E. James, stationery,	1 05	
B. R. Came & Son, coal,	348 76	
Hutchinson & Averill,	15 51	
George A. Avery,	4 70	
B. E. James, express and telephone,	1 00	
		$476 14

Appropriation, $600.

Electric Lighting.

Streets,	$832 98	
Lamps,	16 71	
Post office, town hall, banquet hall,	150 31	
		$1,000 00

Appropriation, $1,000.

Town House Repairs.

W. E. Williams, roof work,	$93 96	
George V. Tarleton, board of slaters,	26 00	
A. K. Woodbury, library roof, 1895,	9 50	
J. A. Mixer,	16 65	
Gilbert & Barker, meters,	27 13	
Mixer & Dodge,	75	
Anchor Electric Co., switch,	5 37	
W. L. Winslow,	13 10	
J. F. Grafton, concrete,	2 50	
A. W. Howison,	3 22	
J. B. Heald, clock,	2 00	
G. A. Avery,	47 24	
B. E. James, sewer work,	2 00	
		$249 42

Appropriation, $300.

Town Library Appropriation.

A. L. Keyes, treasurer,	$900 00	
Interest on Gay fund,	250 00	
		$1,150 00

Appropriation, $900.

Schools.

E. I. Kendall, treasurer,	$12,000 00	
Federal Hill school house,	1,000 00	
District note and interest,	2,160 00	
Literary fund,	399 90	
Dog tax,	328 85	
		$15,888 75

Fire Department.

J. A. Brahaney, treasurer,		$800 00
Appropriation, $800.		

Police Court.

A. L. Keyes, salary,	$81 20	
G. A. Worcester, special justice,	28 00	
James P. Melzer, printing,	5 75	
		$114 95

Printing.

W. B. Rotch,		$139 00
Appropriation, $100.		

Memorial Day.

F. P. Hood, treasurer,		$100 00
Appropriation, $100.		

Insurance.

A. L. Keyes,	$50 00	
William M. Knowlton,	46 25	
		$96 25
Appropriation, $100.		

Water Tubs.

E. R. Cotton,	$3 00	
E. L. Hodgman,	3 00	
Porter Colby,	3 00	
Frank Holland, 1896,	3 00	
C. A. Webster,	3 00	
Lizzie J. Holland,	3 00	
George D. Armstrong,	3 00	
		$21 00
Appropriation, $24.		

Town Team.

Henry Wilson, hay,	$18 99	
Foster Brothers, hay,	20 34	

Rice, Reed & Atwood, blankets,	4 60	
Charles Tarbell, repairs,	1 25	
E. M. Dunbar, "	1 92	
A. W. Howison, lumber,	66	
W. F. French, supplies,	3 82	
C. A. Riddle, labor,	59 25	
Brooks Piersons, labor,	470 75	
Kendall & Wilkins, feed,	148 44	
James Shannahan, barn rent,	50 00	
W. J. Prince, shoeing and repairs,	23 40	
Milford Water Works, water,	6 00	
		$809 42

Town Team's Earnings.

Received of road agent for team,	$872 65	
" " Hanaford Thompson, use of team,	6 13	
" " C. J. Gutterson, " "	7 00	
" " town of Milford, use of team 27½ days,	110 00	
		$995 78

Police and Night Watch.

F. A. Dodge,	$499 95	
George F. Hawkins,	75 00	
Special July 4 and May 30,	22 00	
		$596 95

Appropriation, $600.

Road Agent.

C. J. Gutterson,	$4,483 28

Appropriation, $4,938 75.

Janitor of Town House.

B. E. James,	$406 05

Appropriation, $400.

Cemetery.

William M. Knowlton, care lots,	$24 75	
" " " labor Riverside,	135 39	
E. D. Towne, labor,	16 05	
J. R. Thompson, righting headstones,	21 62	
Junkins & Haseltine, building fences,	209 56	
		$407 37

Water.

Hydrant services,	$2,595 00	
Drinking fountains,	60 00	
Town house,	88 00	
		$2,743 00

Appropriation, $2,750.

Miscellaneous.

F. W. Farnsworth, stationery,	$ 2 20
L. L. Junkins, surveying and drawing plan of Dearborn street,	2 00
W. J. Prince, repairs on hearse,	2 25
Hutchinson & Averill, food for tramps,	12 00
John Twiss, hens killed by dogs,	3 25
E. A. Peapody, ducks killed by dogs,	6 50
E. M. Parker, teaming,	75
John Grafton, concreting around band stand,	12 90
Geo. A. Worcester, expense to Concord to settle with state,	1 20
Mrs. Ida Hager, copying records,	5 00
L. L. Junkins, surveying,	3 25
F. W. Ordway, stamped envelopes,	55
F. W. Ordway, expense to Manchester to settle with county,	1 62
Lillian I. Seaver, lodging female tramp,	75
Dana W. King, copies,	1 66
Geo. A. Worcester, expense to Nashua to look up records,	2 82
F. W. Ordway, stationery,	1 40
A. T. Barr, sealing weights and measures,	1 25
Silsby & Son, collector's book,	1 25
M. R. Burnham, tuning piano,	1 75
Charles Tarbell, repairs on hearse,	87
Ordway & Kendall, teams used by county,	5 50
H. P. Peck, return of marriages, 1896,	2 25
" " " " " 1897,	1 25
George F. Marshall, " " " "	75
Arthur Wadsworth, " " " "	75
F. L. Knapp, " " " "	4 00
L. C. P. Massicotte, return of births and deaths,	1 25
C. E. Higgins, " " " " "	75
H. S. Hutchinson, " " " " "	10 75

George W. Hatch, " " " " " 1894–96–97,	3 00	
C. F. Ober, " " " " "	2 60	
Eugene Wason, " " " " "	3 50	
Frederick Chandler, " " " " "	50	
W. H. W. Hinds est., " " " " "	75	
W. H. W. Hinds, " " " " "	4 25	
J. B. Pettingill, " " " " "	75	
D. S. Dearborn, " " " " "	5 25	
J. H. Fay, abatements,	124 12	
B. F. Foster, auctioneer, sale of engine house,	12 00	
Edgar I. Kendall, making deeds, etc.,	9 02	
" " " retainer and counsel,	25 00	
F. T. Sawyer, care sinking funds,	37 50	
B. F. Foster, expense to state board of health meeting,	5 00	
W. F. French, supplies board of health,	3 00	
Walter Warren, labor,	6 00	
G. W. Ellison, returning births and deaths,	2 75	
W. H. W. Hinds, expense board of health,	3 88	
		$340 74

Appropriation, $500.

County Poor.

Milo Clair,	$20 32
Erickson children,	4 79
Mary Cooley,	142 29
Blaisdell children,	7 64
Daniel Murphy,	4 00
Michael Curtin,	11 00
Jessie Poland,	1 75
Mrs. Brunell,	8 00
Charles Tracy,	15 00
Mitchell Antionett,	55 00
Warren Ames,	106 00
Jaffrey Powers,	12 00
Moses Chase,	80 00
John O'Neil,	4 00
A. A. Gilbert,	100 62
Nancy Sargent,	108 70
Jennie Wellman,	108 70
J. H. and Mary E. Hutchinson,	190 49

David Duncklee,	61 50	
Mrs. J. O'Hanlon,	139 04	
Mrs. Owen O'Brine,	20 00	
Mary Emery,	27 00	
Hiram Searls,	4 00	
Mrs Bezie Rogers,	124 59	
Mrs. Soucy,	65 00	
Mrs. William Harwood,	208 17	
Edward Bartle,	95 39	
Mrs. E. E. Johnson,	134 00	
Noe Brunell,	10 50	
Nellie McCann,	6 00	
		$1,875 49

County Soldiers' Aid.

D. M. Perham,	$1 58	
Edward F. Clark,	12 00	
Henry Manning,	14 00	
Mrs. B. Ryan,	92 18	
Charles Bartlett,	30 00	
Lucius Way,	27 08	
		$176 84

Liquor Account.

Paid for liquor and freight,	$351 58	
B. E. James, agent,	6 25	
		$357 83
Received for liquor,	$274 03	
Liquor on hand,	74 25	
		$348 28

Town Poor.

Mrs. Horace Peabody,	$42 25	
A. A. Gilbert,	7 00	
Mrs. William Harwood,	60 15	
Mary Nelson,	54 00	
J. H. Hutchinson,	25 38	
Hartwell Greene,	3 44	
		$192 22

Soldiers' Aid.

H. L. Robbins,	$128 00	
A. K. Lewis,	220 43	
		$348 43

Appropriation, $1,000.

Notes and Interest.

Souhegan National Bank, notes,	$10,000 00	
W. R. Howison, notes,	3,000 00	
Josephine Dayfoot, notes,	2,000 00	
" " interest,	158 33	
W. R. Howison, "	256 25	
A. N. Shepard, "	25 00	
Parmelia A. Fretts, "	38 75	
Kate J. Shannahan, "	100 00	
Emily E. Pierce, "	25 00	
Souhegan National Bank, "	211 95	
A. G. Skilton, "	50 00	
H. M. Burnham, admr., "	100 00	
F. T. Sawyer, interest reg. water bonds,	400 00	
" " " bonds,	2,090 00	
E. G. Hamblett, " 1896,	20 00	
		$18,475 28

F. T. Sawyer, sinking fund,	$2,000 00
" " state tax,	4,935 00
Frank C. Livingston, county tax,	4,788 87

Town Officers.

F. T. Sawyer, treasurer,	$62 50	
J. H. Fay, supervisor,	4 17	
G. A. McIntire, "	4 17	
F. B. Bartlett, "	4 17	
C. E. Knight, auditor,	10 00	
C. S. Emerson, "	10 00	
B. F. Foster, sexton,	189 00	
J. H. Fay, tax collector,	175 00	
B. F. Foster, board of health,	5 00	
Eugene Wason, " " "	5 00	
John McLane, moderator,	4 17	
F. W. Ordway, selectman,	229 97	
F. J. Kendall, "	166 67	
G. A. Worcester, "	166 67	
W. H. W. Hinds, board health,	5 00	
		$1,041 49

Appropriation, $1,000.

MILFORD, N. H., Feb. 17, 1898.

We certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

CARL E. KNIGHT,
C. S. EMERSON,
Auditors.

Estimates for the year ending Feb. 15, 1898.

Highways, bridges, snow paths and sidewalks,	1-4 per cent.
Electric lighting,	$1,600 00
Water tubs,	24 00
Night watch,	500 00
Printing,	140 00
Police,	100 00
Memorial day,	100 00
Supplies for town house,	500 00
Repairs " " "	250 00
Janitor " " "	400 00
Insurance,	100 00
Interest on bonds,	4,800 00
Town poor,	600 00
Sinking fund,	2,000 00
Schools,	10,750 00
Library,	900 00
Fire department,	800 00
Miscellaneous,	500 00
Town officers,	1,200 00

Total Valuation found in April, 1897.

Number of polls, 962,	$96,200 00
Value of real estate,	1,406,130 00
No. of horses, 563,	28,595 00
" mules, 1,	25 00
" cows, 778,	17,357 00
" neat stock, 84,	1,201 00
" sheep, 10,	30 00
" hogs, 4,	60 00
" fowls, 4,834,	2,417 00
" carriages, 48,	3,546 00
Stock in banks,	59,686 00
Money at interest,	83,628 00
Stock in trade,	142,250 00
Mills and machinery,	134,400 00
	$1,975,595 00
Rate per cent.,	$2 00
Total tax,	$39,510 50

TOWN TREASURER'S REPORT.

For the Year Ending Feb. 15, 1898.

F. T. Sawyer, Treasurer, *in account with* Town of Milford.

Dr.

To amounts received:		
Balance in treasury Feb. 15, 1897,		$2,282 48
Uncollected tax bills, 1894,	$348 84	
" " " 1896,	2,363 71	
Town liquor agent,	270 53	
Insurance tax,	206 25	
Railroad tax,	1,035 80	
Savings bank tax,	3,353 51	
Literary fund,	399 90	
County of Hillsborough,	1,848 02	
Town team,	892 28	
Licenses,	75 00	
" on dogs,	302 00	
Nancy Averill library fund,	20 00	
Riverside cemetery lots,	185 00	
Police court fines,	222 98	
Hannah Temple est., cemetery fund,	100 00	
Emily Ball " " "	100 00	
Cynthia K. Hutchinson est., cemetery fund,	100 00	
Lucy A. Needham est., cemetery fund,	100 00	
E. B. Blake,	30 00	
Asa P. Burns,	60 00	
Water works, interest on bonds,	3,000 00	
" " on sinking fund account,	600 00	
Engine house and boiler,	1,679 10	
On Green note,	10 00	
Oil barrels,	3 50	
Pauper account,	18 79	
Souhegan National Bank,	10,000 00	

A. K. Lewis estate,	492 07	
Rents, heating and lighting,	2,306 14	
Grave yard lots,	35 00	
" " fence,	3 50	
Gas for stores,	18 60	
Gasoline sold,	95	
Taxes assessed, 1897,	39,602 32	
		$72,066 27

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By amounts paid as follows:

Orders for town expenses,	$19,034 24	
" " state tax,	4,935 00	
" " county tax,	4,788 87	
" " appro. for schools,	15,888 75	
" " debt and interest,	20,460 28	
" " fire department,	800 00	
Uncollected taxes, 1894,	153 84	
" " 1896,	315 71	
" " 1897,	2,791 03	
Balance in town treasury,	2,898 55	
		$72,066 27

Respectfully submitted:

F. T. SAWYER, *Treasurer.*

Milford, N. H., Feb. 21, 1898.

We certify that we have examined the foregoing account and find it correctly cast and properly vouched. We have also examined the sinking fund securities and find them as reported.

CARL E. KNIGHT,
C. S. EMERSON,
Auditors.

Financial Standing of the Town of Milford at the Close of Business Feb. 15, 1898.

Notes payable Feb. 15, 1897,	$12,575 00	
Amount borrowed during the year,	10,000 00	
		$22,575 00
Notes paid during the year:		
Souhegan National Bank,	$10,000 00	
Josephine H. Dayfoot.	2,000 00	
Wm. R. Howison,	3,000 00	
		$15,000 00
		$7,575 00

Notes payable as follows:		
A. N. Shepard,	500 00	
Emily D. Pierce,	500 00	
D. S. Burnham estate,	2,000 00	
Kate J. Shannahan,	2,000 00	
Parmelia R. Fretts,	775 00	
H. Augusta Lund,	800 00	
Ada G. Skilton,	1,000 00	
		$7,575 00
Total notes outstanding:		
Cemetery trust funds,	$1,325 00	
E. M. Gay, library trust,	5,000 00	
Nancy Averill, " "	20 00	
Accrued interest,	138 00	
Coupons outstanding,	300 00	
		6,783 00
Total liabilities other than bonded debt,		14,358 00

ASSETS.

Cash on hand, Feb. 15, 1898,	$2,898 55	
Sewer assessments,	51 75	
Due for rents,	267 06	
Dues from Hillsborough County,	259 57	
Town team,	450 00	
Unpaid taxes, 1894,	153 84	
" " 1896,	315 71	
" " 1897,	2,791 03	
		$7,187 51
Balance of liabilities over assnts,		7,170 49
Net indebtedness Feb. 15, 1897,	12.191 90	
" " " 15, 1898,	7,170 49	
Decrease in floating debt for the year ending Feb. 15, 1898,		$5,021 41

Respectfully submitted,

F. T. SAWYER, *Treasurer.*

Report of Sinking Funds.

DR. F. T. SAWYER, TREAS., *in account with*

TOWN OF MILFORD Water Bonds Sinking Fund.

Received:		
Balance from last account,	$ 51 30	
Interest on $1,350 U. S. 4 per cent. bonds,	52 50	
" " 5,500 town of Milford "	220 00	
Milford Savings Bank, 20 per cent.,	155 78	
$200 U. S. Gov. 4 per cent. bonds sold,	226 86	
Annual appropriation 1897,	1,200 00	
		$1,906 44
Paid:		
$ 150 U.S. Gov. 4 per cent. 1907 bond, cost	$166 50	
1,500 " " " " " " "	1,723 13	
Balance on hand,	16 81	
		$1,906 44
Less Milford Savings Bank, reinvested,	$155 78	
" $200 U. S. Gov. 4 per cent., "	226 86	
" balance last year, "	51 30	433 94
Net increase of water bond sinking fund,		$1,472 50

School and Funding Sinking Fund.

Received:		
Interest on $2,000 town of Milford bond,	$80 00	
" " 500 Gov. 4's, 1897,	20 00	
$800 Gov. 4's sold,	907 52	
Annual appropriation,	800 00	
		$1,807 52
Paid:		
For $1,000 town of Milford bond,	$1,070 00	
" 600 U. S. Gov. bonds, cost	689 25	
Water bond sinking fund borrowed,	23 16	
Balance on hand,	25 11	
		$1,807 52
Less $800 U. S. Gov. bonds reinvested,		907 52
Net increase of school and funding sinking fund,		$900 00

Statement of Sinking Funds.

Water bond sinking fund Feb. 15, 1897,		$7,942 03
$ 150 U. S. Gov. 4's, 1907, cost,	$166 50	
1,500 " " " " "	1,723 13	
Cash on hand,	16 81	
	$1,906 44	

Less Milford Savings Bank, reinvested,	$155 78		
" $200 Gov. bonds sold,	226 86		
" cash on hand 1897,	51 30		
		433 94	
Increase of sinking fund 1897,			1,472 50
Total water bond sinking fund Feb. 15, 1898,			$9,414 53

School and Funding Sinking Fund.

Amount Feb. 15, 1897,		$2,520 00
$1,000 town of Milford bonds, cost	$1,070 00	
600 U. S. Gov. 4's, 1907, cost,	689 25	
Water bond sinking fund, borrowed,	23 16	
Cash on hand,	25 11	
	$1,807 52	
Less $800 U. S. Gov. bonds reinvested,	907 52	
Increase of sinking fund 1897,		900 00
Total school and funding sinking fund Feb. 15, 1898,		$3,420 00

Sinking Fund Securities.

Milford Savings Bank,	$ 545 28	
$5,500 town of Milford bonds, cost,	5,632 67	
2,850 U. S. Gov. 4's, 1907, cost,	3,219 77	
Cash on hand,	16 81	
Total water bond sinking fund Feb. 15, 1898,		$9,414 53
$2,000 town of Milford bonds, cost,	$2,156 00	
1,100 U. S. Gov. 4's, 1907, cost,	1,238 89	
Cash on hand,	25 11	
Total school and funding sinking fund Feb. 15, 1898,		3,420 00
Total sinking funds,		$12,834 53

Statement of Bond Account.

Balance coupon water bonds 1897,	$57,057 97	
Less sinking fund,	1,472 50	
Balance coupon water bonds,		$55,585 47
Balance school and funding bonds 1897,	$42,480 00	
Less sinking fund,	900 00	
Balance school and funding bonds,		41,580 00

Registered water bonds,	10,000 00
Net bonded indebtedness Feb. 15, 1898,	$107,165 47
Decrease during the year,	2,372 50

Report of Trust Funds.

The following trust funds are in the treasury of Milford, the interest to be used annually for the care of lots in cemeteries:

		Unexpended balance.
Wadsworth heirs fund,	$75 00	$1 73
Harriet Endicott "	100 00	2 48
Fanny C. Haywood "	25 00	73
L. F. Warner "	100 00	9 46
Sarah A. Daniels "	50 00	5 98
Luther Hutchinson "	50 00	
H. Eldridge "	60 00	1 94
Martha Woolson "	100 00	6 48
J. A. Twitchell "	100 00	5 48
Susan Pierson "	75 00	over 53
Caroline B. Harris "	100 00	6 48
Hannah Temple "	100 00	
Emily Ball "	100 00	
Cynthia K. Hutchinson fund,	100 00	
Lucy A. Needham "	100 00	
E. B. Blake "	30 00	
Asa P. Burns "	60 00	

WADSWORTH FUND.

Balance unexpended last year,	$1 73	
Interest received 1897,	3 75	
		$5 48
Paid William M. Knowlton,	$3 75	
Balance unexpended,	1 73	
		$5 48

ENDICOTT FUND.

Unexpended last year,	$2 48	
Interest received,	5 00	
		$7 48
Paid William M. Knowlton,	$5 00	
Balance unexpended,	2 48	
		$7 48

HAYWOOD FUND.

Balance unexpended last year,	$0 48	
Interest received 1897,	1 25	
		$1 73

Paid William M. Knowlton,	$1 00	
Balance unexpended,	73	
		$1 73

WARNER FUND.

Balance unexpended last year,	$5 96	
Interest received,	5 00	
		$10 96
Paid William M. Knowlton,	$1 50	
Balance unexpended,	9 46	
		$10 96

DANIELS FUND.

Balance unexpended last year,	$4 48	
Interest received,	2 50	
		$6 98
Paid William M. Knowlton,	$1 00	
Balance unexpended,	5 98	
		$6 98

LUTHER HUTCHINSON FUND.

Interest received 1897,		2 50
Over expended last year,		2 50

ELDREDGE FUND.

Balance unexpended last year,	0 44	
Interest received,	3 00	
		3 44
Paid William M. Knowlton,	1 50	
Balance unexpended,	1 94	
		3 44

WOOLSON FUND.

Balance unexpended last year,	2 48	
Interest received,	5 00	
		7 48
Paid William M. Knowlton,	1 00	
Balance unexpended,	6 48	
		7 48

TWITCHELL FUND.

Balance unexpended last year,	6 48	
Interest received,	5 00	
		11 48
Paid William M. Knowlton,	6 00	
Balance unexpended,	5 48	
		11 48

PIERSON FUND.

Interest received,	3 75	
Balance over-expended,	53	
		4 28

Paid William M. Knowlton,	3 00	
Over-expended last year,	1 28	
		4 28

HARRIS FUND.

Balance unexpended last year,	2 48	
Interest received,	5 00	
		7 48
Paid William M. Knowlton,	1 00	
Balance unexpended,	6 48	
		7 48

TEMPLE FUND.

Paid William M. Knowlton,		1 00

FREE LIBRARY TRUST FUNDS.

Interest expended for the purchase of books.

Ezra M. Gay $5,000, interest		250 00
Nancy Averill 20.		
Paid W. F. French,		250 00

License on Dogs.

Balance in treasury Feb. 15, 1897,	328 85	
Received in 1897,	302 00	
		630 85
Paid E. I. Kendall, treasurer,	328 85	
" damage by dogs,	9 75	
Balance in treasury Feb. 15, 1898,	292 25	
		630 85

Respectfully submitted:

F. T. SAWYER, *Treasurer.*

REPORT OF THE POLICE COURT.

Since the last annual report the court has considered and disposed of 65 criminal cases and 13 civil suits. The number of criminal cases is somewhat smaller than in previous years. We think the town is to be congratulated upon this fact, as well as upon the fact that there has been no serious crime committed in our community.

The importance of the court in relation to civil business should not be underestimated. While the number of suits actually entered is quite small, yet there are probably four or five times as many instances in which suits are commenced, but are settled before reaching the court. Were it not for the existence of this court, these petty matters in most instances would have to be referred to the supreme court, thereby involving great delay and added expense to the parties.

The court being a court of record, it is necessary to carefully preserve and file all the papers and records in the various matters considered. The present arrangement is not all that could be desired, and we hope that some new arrangement can be made for the better accommodation of the ever increasing files.

The financial statement, which follows, shows that the court is still a source of profit to the town.

Financial Report.

Receipts:		
Cash on hand, as per last report,	$ 3 50	
Fees and costs,	461 13	
Fees from the county,	131 40	
Writs, executions, etc.,	8 63	
		$604 66
Payments:		
E. I. Kendall, complaints and warrants,	94 50	
Carl E. Knight, " "	9 00	
Carl E. Knight, costs, State vs. Blanchard,	20 00	
F. W. Ordway, sheriffs fees,	4 46	
Moses Duffy, witness fee,	1 01	
G. F. Hawkins, officers fees,	15 10	
E. W. Marble, " "	3 80	

B. E. James.	"	"	12 48	
F. A. Dodge,	"	"	212 33	
Town treasurer,			222 98	
Cash on hand,			9 00	
				$604 66

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR L. KEYES, Justice.
G. A. WORCESTER, Associate Justice.

FEB. 21, 1898.

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing account and find the same correctly cast and properly vouched.

CARL E. KNIGHT,
C. S. EMERSON,
Auditors.

REPORT OF FIREWARDS.

The board of firewards submit the following report of the condition of the fire department for the year ending Feb. 28, 1898. The department consists of Eagle Hose company, 12 men; Souhegan Hose company, 12 men; and Alert Hook and Ladder company, 16 men.

Apparatus.

Eagle Hose wagon, Souhegan Hose wagon, Alert Hook and Ladder truck, Neptune fire engine and hose carriage, all equipped. Hose and material on hand, 1,200 feet 2-inch hose, 1,800 feet 2½ inch hose, 100 feet 1-inch hose, and 30 rubber coats, all in good condition. The electric fire alarm system is in good condition.

For usual expenses of the fire department for the year we would recommend the appropriation of $900. Also, as it is necessary, we would recommend the purchasing of 500 feet of 2½ inch hose.

The Selectmen, having sold boiler at old engine house at auction, have turned money over to Town Treasurer.

Fires.

April 2. Eli Burns' barns. Total loss.
April 14. Still alarm, schoolhouse, School street.
April 16, " " John Gainey's chimney, Middle street.
April 30. " " No. 9 School house.
June 17, False alarm at French & Heald mill.
July 20. Fletcher's Steam Laundry. Partial loss.
July 26. Still alarm. Mrs. Hutchinson's chimney, Ash street.
Aug. 12. False alarm.
Sept. 6. Kingsbury farm buildings, South Milford. Total loss.
Sept. 13. False alarm. Morse, Kaley & Co.'s mill.
Sept 27. Still alarm.
Oct. 25. Morse, Kaley & Co.'s mill.
Nov. 18. Still alarm. Knight house, Union street.
24 Still alarm. Wallace block chimney.
Nov. 24. Still alarm. Wallace block chimney.
1898.
Jan. 1. Still alarm. C. G. Hatch's chimney, Marshall street.
Jan. 25. Still alarm. H. McDonald chimney, Nashua street.
Feb. 3. Still alarm. Whittemore block chimney.

Expenditures.

Milford Electric Light Co., use of light,	$ 3 00
Preston Felch, steward,	6 25
Milford Electric Light Co., use of light,	3 00
John Nolan, services fireman,	3 75
B. E. James, order A. P. Brigham, services fireman,	3 75
Milford Electric Light Co., use of light,	1 50
W. E. Hutchinson, care fire alarm, July 4th,	2 00
C. B. Dodge, hose,	12 00
W. L. Winslow, supplies,	6 25
Milford Electric Light Co., use of light,	1 50
W. J. Broderick, painting fire alarm boxes,	2 50
J. A. Brahaney, wagon jack, from Ames Plow Co.,	2 75
Ed. Holland, services fireman,	7 50
Milford Electric Light Co., use of light,	1 50
B. E. James, repairs on horn,	1 00
C. W. Richardson, services fireman,	6 25
A. A. White, " "	8 75
Jas. O'Neil, " "	8 75
Milford Electric Light Co., use of light,	1 50
Geo. M. Stevens, zincs,	14 00
Chas. Batten, services fireman,	8 75
Preston Felch, steward,	7 25
Milford Electric Light Co., use of light,	1 50
" " " " " "	1 50
E. F. Herlihy, watching fire,	1 50
Milford Electric Light Co., use of light,	1 50
F. B. Wilkins, electric supplies and labor,	20 65
B. F. Foster, order of Ludlow Hutchinson, services fireman,	15 00
Geo. M. Stevens, vitrol,	20 95
Boston Woven Hose and Rubber Co., supplies,	3 02
Eagle Hose Co., services,	158 75
Souhegan Hose Co., services,	175 00
Alert Hook and Ladder Co., services,	195 00
W. L. Winslow, chief firewarl,	30 00
C. E. Marvell, 1st Asst. "	30 00
J. A. Brahaney, 2d Asst. "	30 00
Milford Electric Light Co., use of light,	1 50

Milford Water Works, use of water,	11 00	
W. L. Winslow, supplies,	9 30	
		$819 67
Cr.		
By fog horn to town of Hanover,		80 00
		$739 67

W. L. WINSLOW,
C. E. MARVELL,
J. A. BRAHANEY,
Firewards.

Milford, N. H., Feb. 17, 1898.

We certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

CARL E. KNIGHT,
C. S. EMERSON,
Auditors.

MILFORD FREE LIBRARY.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

For the Year Ending Feb. 15, 1898.

TRUSTEES.

JOHN McLANE,	Term	expires	1898.
W. F. FRENCH,	"	"	"
Mrs. A. W. SMITH,	"	"	"
REBECCA F. DOANE,	"	"	"
ALICE C. GRAY,	"	"	1899.
Mrs. E. I. KENDALL,	"	"	"
J. E. WEBSTER,	"	"	"
ARTHUR L. KEYES,	"	"	"
W. B. ROTCH,	"	"	1900.
A. J. HUTCHINSON,	"	"	"
Mrs. D. S. DEARBORN,	"	"	"
G. A. WORCESTER,	"	"	"

On the evening of March 23, 1897, the Trustees met at the library rooms and choose the following officers for the ensuing year:

W. F. FRENCH,	*President*
A. L. KEYES,	*Secretary and Treasurer*
REBECCA F. DOANE,	*Librarian*
W. B. ROTCH, Mrs. E. I. KENDALL, ALICE C. GRAY,	*Library Committee*
A. J. HUTCHINSON, Mrs. A. W. SMITH, Mrs. D. S. DEARBORN,	*Finance Committee*

At this meeting it was voted that the Trustees hold regular meetings during the year on the first Tuesday of each alternate month, and that the Library Committee meet every month. This arrangement has been observed throughout the year.

At the commencement of the new year the Trustees were confronted with new conditions. At the annual meeting of the town the appropriation for the current expenses of the library was reduced from $1000 to $900. The Trustees thought ia necessary to economize to that amount. It was therefore believed wise and necessary to reduce the number of periodicals in the reading room and also to discontinue one copy of the magazines in the circulating department that the expenses of the institution might not exceed the amount provided. We are glad to report, however, that by the practice of excellent economy that these magazines have nearly all been put back, and at present the amount of reading matter received is about the same as in previous years. The Library Committee have purchased 282 books from the income derived from the bequests of

Mr. EZRA M. CAY

AND

Miss NANCY AVERILL.

Appended to this report will be found the titles and numbers of these books as they have been placed upon the library shelves, which should make this report worthy and useful if preserved by patrons of the library.

In purchasing these books the committee selected for that purpose have devoted much time, endeavoring to obtain such books as would best meet the wants of the people, and at the same time keep up the high moral standard of the library, so excellently maintained heretofore. To this end the purchasing committee have allowed no book to go upon the shelves without the unqualified approval of some one of their number. This has necessitated much reading by the committee, but we believe the practice is a wise one.

That the public might have an opportunity to make their desires known, early in the year a "book of

wants" was placed conspicuously upon the Librarian's counter, and has been liberally used by the public and a source of help to the committee.

The frequent call for histories and the growing use of the library for reference has led the committee to purchase such local histories of surrounding towns as they could obtain, and in the near future it is hoped, by means of exchange, to make this department more useful and valuable than at present.

The Trustees believe that better results can be secured by a frequent purchase of books in small quantities than by an occasional purchase in large quantities, and thus it has happened, all through the year, that many of the new books have been secured almost as soon as they were received from the printer by the publishers.

The Trustees would acknowledge, in behalf of the town, the many and valuable gifts to the library, especially to Mr. C. W. Livermore, for his valuable donation of engineering works, and to Mr. T. L. Livermore and Mr. E. A. Fessenden, for volumes of the "Living Age".

Reference to the report of the Librarian, printed herewith, reveals some interesting facts. The circulation has been maintained about the same as in former years, while the use of the reading room has quite materially increased over any previous year. There is a notable change, however, in a falling off, in the call for works of fiction, and a corresponding increase in other departments, notably, geography, natural science, useful arts, sociology, travel and history. This demonstrates, and the fact is a significant one, that the library is being more and more used as a reference library, by the students of our public schools. It is becoming daily more useful as a school adjunct. This very gratifying fact adds new and greater responsibilities both to the Trustees but more particularly to the Librarian, who is almost daily called into consultation with some teacher, or pupil, in regard to some paper or essay in process of preparation.

The Trustees would publicly acknowledge the valuable services of the Librarian, in this and other respects, and also her conscientious work, in the fulfilment of

the duties of her responsible position, and the admirable order and method with which the library is conducted, making it a model institution of its kind.

The condition of the library as a whole is excellent. Few, if any, books have been lost during the year, and no abuses of the privileges of the library, worthy of mention, have been noticed.

Appended to this report is the report of the Librarian and the Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

THE TRUSTEES.

STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR.

Days the library was opened,	306
Volumes taken out,	18,438
Average daily use,	61
Largest daily use,	173
Smallest daily use,	22
Names registered since Jan. 31, 1897,	153
Bound volumes Jan. 31, 1897,	5,869
Added during the year by purchase,	282
" " " " gift,	191
" " " " periodicals bound,	91
Books replaced,	49
Books withdrawn,	80
Bound volumes Jan. 31, 1897,	6,402
Average daily attendance in reading room,	35

Number and Class of Books Taken Out.

Subject.	Volumes.	Per Cent.
General works, including magazines,	2,554	12.85
Philosophy,	42	.22
Religion,	92	.5
Sociology,	193	1.04
Philology,	3	.01
Natural Science,	294	1.6
Useful Arts,	138	.74
Fine Arts,	65	.35
Fiction,	12,692	68.83
Literature	514	2.80

Geography and travels,	845	4.6
Biography,	491	2.66
History,	515	2.8
	18,438	100.

List of Periodicals in Reading Room.

Atlantic	Magazine,	Critic,
Cassier's	"	Electrical World,
Century	"	Epworth Herald,
Christian Science	"	Farmer's Cabinet,
Cosmopolitan	"	Harper's Weekly,
Forum	"	Leslie's Weekly,
Gunton's	"	Life,
Harper's	"	London News,
Land of Sunshine	"	Milford Daily Pointer,
North American	"	Puck,
New England	"	Scientific American,
Popular Science	"	Tribune,
Pythian	"	Union Signal,
Review of Reviews	"	Voice,
Scribner's	"	Watchman,
Christian Register		Youth's Companion.
Congregationalist,		Boston Daily Record.

Gifts to the Library.

Name of Donor.	Bound vols	Pamphlets and periodicals.
T. L. Livermore	122	
U. S. Government,	120	75
Howson & Howson, Publishers,	1	
W. B. Rotch,	3	
C. W. Livermore,	26	4
E. A. Fessenden,	15	
Abram English Brown, author,	1	
City of Manchester,	1	
N. H. College,	1	2
A. H. Callahan,	2	
Town of Milford,	1	
McCormick Harvesting Co.,	1	
State of New Hampshire,	14	
Friends,	5	

J. A. Mixer,	annual subscription,		1
W. B. Rotch,	"	"	2
M. F. Foster,	"	"	1
Mrs. E. A. Tucker,	"	"	1
Mrs. C. A. Baker,	"	"	1
Mrs. A. P. Lewis,	"	"	1
W. F. French,	"	"	1
E. M. Stanyan,	"	"	1
G. A. Worcester,	"	"	1
Mrs. H. G. Wallace,	"	"	1
Christian Science Pub.Co.,	"	"	1
Land of Sunshine "	"	"	1
Unknown	"	"	1

Report of the Treasurer of the Milford Free Library for the Year Ending Feb. 15, 1898.

Receipts:		
Balance from last report,	$32 23	
Town treasurer,	900 00	
Income of Gay fund,	250 00	
Fines, use of library, etc.,	56 72	
		$1,238 95
Payments:		
R. F. Doane, librarian,	$600 00	
Milford Electric Light Co., lights,	87 80	
Augusta P. Lewis, book,	4 00	
R. F. Doane, expenses and cash paid,	46 32	
Library bureau, supplies,	2 00	
G. W. Ruland, book,	1 50	
Jordan, Marsh & Co., books,	17 53	
W. B. Rotch, cash paid for books,	16 00	
G. A. Worcester, repairs,	1 50	
Fords, Howard & Hurlburt, books,	5 18	
A. W. Smith, binding,	5 00	
Milford Water Works, water,	11 00	
F. W. Farnsworth, magazines,	121 75	
Estes & Lauriat, books,	244 10	
Dumas & Co., binding,	75 85	
		1,239 53
Deficit,		$0 58

A. L. KEYES, *Treasurer.*

We certify that we have examined the foregoing account and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

CARL E. KNIGHT,
C. S. EMERSON,
Auditors.

Rules and Regulations.

REVISED AND ADOPTED FEBRUARY 1898.

CHAPTER I.

ARTICLE 1. The officers of the Board of Trustees shall consist of a President, Secretary and Treasurer, all of whom shall be members of the Board.

ART. 2. The annual meeting of the Board of Trustees shall be holden the fourth Tuesday of March in each year. The Board shall hold regular meetings on the fourth Tuesday of every alternate month, commencing with the annual meeting in March.

ART. 3. The President shall call a special meeting of the Board at the written request of any two members, provided such request state the object for which the meeting is to be called; and may at any time call such meeting at his own discretion.

ART. 4. The Standing Committees of the Board shall be as follows: 1, The Committee on the Library; 2, the Committee on Accounts and Finance; and shall at all times be under the control and direction of the Board.

DUTIES OF THE COMMITTEE ON LIBRARY.

First, To make all purchases and exchanges of books.

Second, To direct in relation to the binding and covering of books and their preparation for circulation.

Third, To determine what books shall be used for reference only, and to impose such other restrictions on the use of books as in their judgment may be expedient.

Fourth, To make a report of their work and condition of the Library at each meeting of the Board.

Fifth, To see that the rules and regulations relative to the Library are complied with.

Sixth, To see that proper books and forms are prepared for the use of the Librarian.

Seventh, To superintend the preparation and printing of all catalogues of the Library.

Eighth, To have the general charge and direction of the Library rooms.

DUTY OF THE COMMITTEE ON ACCOUNTS AND FINANCE.

First, To examine all bills against the Library, and, if correct, to approve the same.

Second, To employ such means as they may deem best to obtain donations in money and books for the increase of the Library; all money thus received to be paid over to the Treasurer, and by him passed to the credit of the Library fund, to be appropriated at the order of the Board.

ART. 5 All committees shall prepare and present to the Board of Trustees at the last meeting of the year, or at a special meeting, the reports of their work and the condition of the Library. The President shall, from these reports make the annual report to the town, subject to the approval of the Board.

ART. 6. At the annual meeting in March, the officers and standing committees of the Board shall be chosen; and in case of any vacancy occurring during the year, it may be filled at any subsequent meeting.

ART. 7. Five members of the Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business; and any number may adjourn a meeting when a quorum is not present

ART. 8. No book, pamphlet, or other article offered by any person to the Library shall be accepted and placed therein, until it shall have been approved by the Board; and when so approved, notice of the acceptance shall be given to the donor, with a suitable acknowledgement.

ART. 9. All books, pamphlets, and articles in the Library may at any time be exchanged at the discretion of the committee on the Library.

CHAPTER II.

ARTICLE 1. Any inhabitant of the Town of Milford, of the age of sixteen years and upwards, who shall sign an obligation to observe all the existing rules and regulations of the Library, and all that may be subsequently adopted, shall have free right to take books therefrom, so long as he or she shall comply with such rules and regulations.

ART 2. Any person not included in Article I of this chap-

ter may take books from the Library, subject to the rules and regulations thereof, on presenting to the Librarian written permission signed by two members of the Committee on the Library. Non-residents shall be charged a fee, the same to be fixed by the Committee on Library.

Art. 3. No person shall be allowed more than one volume at a time, except as hereinafter provided. Books may be kept out of the Library fourteen days only; provided always that any book may be renewed once to the same person, unless otherwise designated, but not more than once, until it shall have remained in the library one full library day. Magazines may be kept out seven days only, and cannot be renewed until they shall have remained in the Library one full library day. The fine for the retention of any volume or magazine over the time above specified shall be two cents for every day it is so retained.

Art. 4. Any book retained two weeks beyond the time prescribed by these regulations may be sent for by the librarian, and the expense incurred in obtaining it shall be paid by the delinquent.

Art. 5. All injuries to books beyond a reasonable wear, and all losses, shall be made good to the satisfaction of the Committee on the Library by the person liable. And any book not returned within one week after demand made for it by the Librarian shall be regarded as lost. If any book be lost, the person for whose use it was taken out shall pay such a sum as said Committee shall determine, or replace the book; or if it be one of a set, he or she shall pay the price of a set and take the remaining volumes, if said Committee so determine.

Art 6. All books may be required to be returned to the Library seven days before a stated time, under penalty of a fine of one dollar; but seasonable notice of the time shall be given by the Librarian.

Art. 7. No person having a book from the Library shall loan it to a person not a member of the same household; and no person owing a fine or forfeiture shall receive books from the Library until the same is paid.

Art 8. Every person desiring to take books from the Library for home use shall receive from the Librarian a printed card, on which the number of the book asked for shall be designated, and this card shall be the only mode of obtaining any book which may be asked for.

Art. 9. Books of reference, and those deemed unsuitable for general circulation shall not be taken from the Library except on an order signed by at least two members of the Library Committee.

Art. 10. All persons visiting the Library rooms will be required to demean themselves quietly and to avoid all unnecessary conversation therein. Any person abusing the privileges of the rooms, by improper or offensive conduct, will be denied admission.

Art. 11. The Library rooms shall be open for the reception and delivery of books at such times as the Board shall designate, but not less frequently than two afternoons and one evening of each week.

Art. 12. Teachers in the public schools may be allowed to draw extra books; and pupils, upon the written request of the teacher of the school which the pupil attends, may be allowed to draw extra books, such extra books to be at all times subject to the call of the Librarian. No book or magazine shall under any circumstances be reserved or retained by the librarian for any patron of the library.

CHAPTER III.

Duties of the Librarian.

Article 1. The Librarian, under the direction of the Committee on the Library, shall have the charge and superintendence of the Library and Reading Room, and shall be responsible for the due care and keeping of all the books and other public property contained therein.

Art. 2. The Librarian shall be present in the Library in person, or by an assistant, at such times as it may be open to the public, and perform all duties usually incumbent upon a Librarian.

Art. 3. The Librarian shall arrange all books on the shelves in an order convenient for use; shall enter in a record the time when each book was received, its cost, if purchased, or the name of the donor, if given, and such other facts as the Committee on the Library may direct; such record to be called the Catalogue of Accessions.

Art. 4. The Librarian shall keep a record of all such books as are asked for and are not in the Library, and the names of the persons asking for them, for the use of the Committee on the Library.

Art. 5. The Librarian shall cause a label to be fastened in each volume, noting on it the date of the book's reception, the name of the donor, if it be a gift, and the catalogue number.

Art. 6. The Librarian shall cause every volume, before it is delivered from the Library, to be catalogued by the Dewey system, and to have attached to it such rules of the Library as are needful to be known by those using it.

Art. 7. The Librarian may annually, at the discretion of the Committee on the Library, call in all books that are out for examination; and the result of such examination shall be presented to the Board in a détailed repart.

Books Added Since March, 1897.

PHILOSOPHY.

BROWN, Anna R. What is worth while.....171 B81
UEBERWEG, Friedrich. History of philosophy. 2 vols..109 Ue1

RELIGION.

GREGORY, *Rev.* T. Puritanism in the old world and the new.....274 G86
MERRIMAN, *Rev.* T. M. Pilgrims, puritans and Roger Williams vindicated.....272 M55

SOCIOLOGY.

BROWN, Abram E. Legends of old Bedford.....398 B81
DOLE, Charles F. The American citizen.....329 D69
EARLE, Alice Morse. Colonial days in old New York..390 Ea7.1
ELIOT, Charles William. American contributions to civilization.....331 El4
FISHER, George S. Evolution of the Constitution of the United States.....342 F53
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In Account with TOWN OF MILFORD.

DR.

Received of town treasurer, as per order of selectmen, $4,483 28

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February, 1897:				
C. J. Gutterson,	7 days,	0 hours,	$2 00	$14 00
horse,	2 "	0 "	1 00	2 00
team,	0 "	6 "	4 00	2 40
F. E. Grafton,	0 "	2 "	1 50	30
J. C. Smith,	1 "	0 "	1 50	1 50
W. A. Crosby,	0 "	5 "	1 50	75
E. E. Duncklee,				8 48
B. Pierson,	3 "	0 "	1 50	4 50
C. A. Riddle,	5 "	7 "	1 50	8 55
C. Colby,	0 "	3 "	1 50	45
J. W. Tarbell,	1 "	2 "	1 50	1 80
George P. Holt,	0 "	4 "	1 50	60
J. Paradis,	2 "	9 "	1 50	4 35
E. Ducett,	3 "	3 "	1 50	4 95
I. R. Brown,	0 "	3½ "	1 50	52
C. L. Kendall, breaking roads,				16 97
W. L. Winslow, plowing and sanding,				22 79
F. J. Kendall,				1 40
W. R. Howard, breaking roads,				10 40
J. Casey, plowing and sanding,				12 64
N. Perham, " " "				7 73
J. F. Grafton, breaking roads,				8 15
G. N. Woodward, " "				80
C. A. Jenkins, " "				12 25
Lovejoy Granite Co., stone,				1 00
Willis Bros., repairing tools,				2 30
March:				
C. J. Gutterson,	2 "	0 "	2 00	4 00
team,	2 "	0 "	4 00	8 00
horse,	2 "	0 "	1 00	2 00

Brooks Pierson,	4 days,	2 hours.	1 50	6 30
W. J. Bills,	1 "	1 "	1 50	1 85
team,	1 "	0 "	4 00	4 00
C. A. Jenkins,	0 "	8 "	2 00	1 60
team,	1 "	5 "	4 00	6 00
man,	0 "	8 "	1 50	1 20
Hillsboro Mills,				1 20
A. M. Winslow,	3 "	8 "	1 50	5 70
C. A Riddle,	5 "	2 "	1 50	7 80
April:				
C. J. Gutterson,	19 "	3 "	2 00	38 60
team,	5 "	6 "	4 00	22 40
machine,	13 "	0 "	4 50	58 50
horse,	4 "	0 "	1 00	4 00
C. A. Riddle,	5 "	6 "	1 50	8 40
W. R. Larrabee,	19 "	4 "	1 50	29 10
W. W. Grafton,	19 "	4 "	1 50	29 10
J. Crowell,	13 "	1 "	1 50	19 65
F Parker,	9 "	9 "	1 50	14 85
C. A. Jenkins,	12 "	4½ "	2 00	24 90
team,	10 "	9 "	4 00	43 60
men,	19 "	5 "	1 50	29 25
16 loads gravel,			08	1 28
G. N. Woodward,	0 "	3 "	2 00	60
team,	0 "	5½ "	4 00	2 20
men,	1 "	4 "	1 50	2 10
A. W. Howison, 60 feet pipe,				12 00
W. F. French, tools,				1 68
May:				
C. J. Gutterson,	21 "	0 "	2 00	42 00
horse,	11 "	0 "	1 00	11 00
team, carting,	5 "	7 "	4 00	22 40
" machine	15 "	0 "	4 50	67 50
W. R. Larrabee,	16 "	9 "	1 50	25 35
J. E. Crowell,	19 "	9 "	1 50	29 85
W. W. Grafton,	19 "	5 "	1 50	29 25
C. A. Riddle,	3 "	5 "	1 50	5 25
C, A. Jenkins,	5 "	5 "	2 00	11 00
team,	3 "	0 "	4 00	12 00
man,	1 "	0 "	1 50	1 50
F. V. Parker,	3 "	0 "	1 50	4 50
W. R Howard,				11 95

George Woodward,	2	"	5	"	2 00	5	00
man,	4	"	5	"	1 50	6	75
W. F. French, axe handle,							25
Willis Bros., repairing tools,						8	93
Kidder & Whitney, 1 shovel,							70
Kendall & Wilkins, 1 pick,						1	15
J. F. Grafton, fence poles,						3	84
labor on fence,						5	75
June:							
C. J. Gutterson,	18	"	0	"	2 00	36	00
team, machine,	14	"	2	"	4 50	63	90
" carting,	9	"	0	"	4 00	36	00
horse,	16	"	0	"	1 00	16	00
W. R. Larrabee,	20	"	0	"	1 50	30	00
C. A. Riddle,	21	"	1	"	1 50	31	65
W. W. Grafton,	22	"	4	"	1 50	33	60
J. Crowell,	20	"	2	"	1 50	30	30
C. L. Kendall,	9	"	1	"	2 00	18	20
man,	8	"	3	"	1 50	12	45
team,	5	"	0	"	4 00	20	00
H. H. Parker,	0	"	1½	"	2 00		30
Stevens Granite Co., stone,						14	70
George N. Woodward,	2	"	7	"	2 00	5	40
team,	13	"	7	"	4 00	54	80
men,	23	"	0	"	1 50	34	50
Sharpening tools,							50
J. B. Melendy, stone work,						7	75
J. Hadlock, repairs on scraper,						8	50
J. A. Casey,						4	89
C. A. Jenkins,	9	"	0	"	2 00	18	00
team,	14	"	½	"	4 00	56	20
man,	11	"	6	"	1 50	17	40
July:							
C. J. Gutterson,	14	"	0	"	2 00	28	00
team, carting,	2	"	0	"	4 00	8	00
" machine,	12	"	0	"	4 50	54	00
horse,	10	"	0	"	1 00	10	00
W. W. Grafton,	12	"	0	"	1 50	18	00
W. R. Larrabee,	13	"	1	"	1 50	19	65
C. A. Riddle,	8	"	7	"	1 50	13	05
J. Crowell,	22	"	6	"	1 50	33	90
Sanderson Bros.,	2	"	1 3-4	"	1 50	3	16

George N. Woodward,	1	"	1½	"	2 00	2 30
man,	0	"	5	"	1 50	75
Wm. J. Merrill, nails,						2 60
shingling bridge,						20 25
W. L. Winslow,	0	"	5	"	3 00	1 50
cement,						80
A. W. Howison, shingles,						63 13
C. A. Jenkins,	1	"	5	"	2 00	3 00
man,	1	"	2	"	1 50	1 80
team,	1	"	1	"	4 00	4 40
W. F. French, tools,						3 45
C. H. V. Smith, team,	4	"	5	"	4 00	18 00
man,	9	"	0	"	1 50	13 50
D. Heald, removing stone,						10 00
August:						
C. J. Gutterson,	25	"	5	"	2 00	51 00
horse,	15	"	0	"	1 00	15 00
team, machine,	5	"	0	"	4 50	22 50
" carting,	18	"	7	"	4 00	74 80
Henry Lovejoy,	2	"	5	"	1 50	3 75
James Crowell,	17	"	3	"	1 50	25 95
W. R. Larrabee,	23	"	7	"	1 50	35 55
C. A. Riddle,	23	"	1	"	1 50	34 65
W. W. Grafton,	23	"	2	"	1 50	34 80
C. L. Kendall,	3	"	8½	"	2 00	7 70
man,	5	"	1½	"	1 50	7 72
team,	1	"	1	"	4 00	4 40
C. A. Jenkins,	3	"	2¼	"	2 00	6 50
team,	2	"	4½	"	4 00	9 80
man,	2	"	9½	"	1 50	4 43
John Blanchard,	6	"	3	"	1 50	9 45
W. F. French, 3 pick handles,						1 25
1 mattox,						85
1 shovel,						90
A. W. Howison, pipe,						35 00
Spikes,						40
J. F. Grafton, team,						2 00
man,						1 28
Poles and posts,						2 00
N. F. Brown,						15
Willis Bros., sharpening tools,						7 51
September:						
C. J. Gutterson,	20	"	5	"	2 00	41 00

horse,	16	"	5	"	1 00	16 50
team, carting,	15	"	8	"	4 00	63 20
" machine,	5	"	0	"	4 50	22 50
W. W. Grafton,	12	"	0	"	1 50	18 00
W. R. Larrabee,	21	"	2	"	1 50	31 80
C. A. Riddle,	21	"	9	"	1 50	32 90
C. L. Kendall,	1	"	2	"	2 00	2 00
man,	4	"	1	"	1 50	6 15
team,	0	"	1 1-2	"	4 00	60
H. Thompson,	1	"	5	"	2 50	3 75
man,	2	"	0	"	1 75	3 50
J. Blanchard,	22	"	7	"	1 50	34 05
C. A. Jenkins,	5	"	7	"	2 00	11 40
team,	5	"	1-2	"	4 00	20 20
man,	2	"	7 1-2	"	1 50	4 15
John Bishop,	6	"	2	"	1 50	9 30
Lumber for bridges,						37 07
Spikes,						75
W. F. French, pick and handle,						1 15
L. K. Hutchinson, 72 loads gravel,					05	3 60
Plank,						50
George F. Parker,						5 00
Edgestone,						34 30
Corner stone,						5 32
A. W. Howison, pipe,						1 15
October:						
C. J. Gutterson,	25	"	0	"	2 00	50 00
team, carting,	16	"	5	"	4 00	66 00
" machine,	8	"	5	"	4 50	38 25
horse,	21	"	5	"	1 00	21 50
W. R. Larrabee,	22	"	2	"	1 50	33 30
C. A. Riddle,	23	"	8	"	1 50	35 70
J. Blanchard,	24	"	0	"	1 50	36 00
W. Bitney,	10	"	0	"	1 50	15 00
G. W. Tarbell,						90
Geo. N. Woodward,	1	"	5	"	2 00	3 00
team,	0	"	1 1-2	"	4 00	60
Edward Frost,	8	"	0	"	2 00	16 00
Resetting curbing,						9 20
C. A. Jenkins,	3	"	1 1-2	"	2 00	6 30
team,	2	"	8 1-2	"	4 00	11 40
man,	0	"	3 1-2	"	1 50	53

W. F. French,				1 69
Willis Bros., blacksmithing,				8 36
J. Hadlock, repairs,				9 00
Concord Foundry Co., grate and trap,				17 25
Freight,				72
Johnston Lumber Co., plank,				8 29
November:				
C. J. Gutterson,	10 days,	0 hours,	2 00	20 00
team, carting,	9 "	0 "	4 00	36 00
" machine,	1 "	0 "	4 50	4 50
horse,	10 "	0 "	1 00	10 00
J. Blanchard,	12 "	0 "	1 50	18 00
W. R. Larrabee,	18 "	7 "	1 50	28 05
Geo. N. Woodward,	0 "	2 1-2 "	2 00	50
W. L. Winslow,				33 26
John Grafton,				6 00
Concord Foundry Co., 1 cover,				3 00
Freight,				25
J. A. Mixer,	2 "	4 1-2 "		5 53
paint,				2 00
C. L. Kendall,	4 "	6 1-2 "	2 00	9 30
man,	5 "	2 1-2 "	1 50	7 87
team,	2 "	5 "	4 00	10 00
stone,				2 00
stringers and poles,				3 50
plank,				15 60
C. A. Jenkins,	5 "	9 "	2 00	11 80
man,	5 "	3½ "	1 50	8 02
team,	3 "	0 "	4 00	12 00
H. Thompson,				25 00
timber,				5 25
H. L. Emerson,				2 40
C. A. Riddle,	12 "	8 "	1 50	19 20
Ira Chase,	1 "	0 "	1 50	1 50
Arthur Howison, pipe,				57 38
December:				
C. J. Gutterson,	2 "	5 "	2 00	5 00
team,	2 "	5 "	4 00	10 00
horse,	2 "	0 "	1 00	2 00
W. Bitney,	20 "	0 "	1 50	30 00
W. W. Grafton,	4 "	1 "	1 50	6 15
C. A. Riddle,	1 "	9 "	1 50	2 85

J. and E. Frost,	33	"	5	"	2 00	62 20
Geo. N. Woodward, team,	1	"	5	"	4 00	6 00
men,	2	"	2	"	1 50	3 30
H. J. Wilson, team,	0	"	3	"	4 00	1 20
man,	0	"	3	"	1 50	45
C. A. Jenkins,	3	"	2	"	2 00	6 40
team,	6	"	2	"	4 00	24 80
man,	3	"	7	"	1 50	5 55
C. L. Kendall,	2	"	6	"	2 00	5 20
team,	2	"	3	"	4 00	9 20
man,	1	"	4	"	1 50	2 10
January:						
C. J. Gutterson,	5	"	0	"	2 00	10 00
team,	2	"	0	"	4 00	8 00
horse,	2	"	0	"	1 00	2 00
Geo. N. Woodward, team,	0	"	8	"	4 00	3 20
man,	0	"	2	"	1 50	30
C. H. Gault,	8	"	3	"	1 50	12 45
Walter Warren,	4	"	0	"	1 50	6 00
W. W. Grafton,	3	"	3	"	1 50	4 95
S. G. Hartshorn,	2	"	5	"		3 75
F. A. Barker,	1	"	9	"	1 50	2 85
H. H. Parker,	0	"	4	"	2 00	80
team,	0	"	4	"	4 00	1 60
C. A. Jenkins,	1	"	2	"	2 00	2 40
man,	1	"	4	"	1 50	2 10
team,	5	"	1 1-2	"	4 00	20 60
C. A. Riddle,	3	"	8	"	1 50	5 70
Charles Potter,	1	"	4	"	1 50	2 10
Howard Bros., team,	0	"	5	"	4 00	2 00
C. L. Kendall,	0	"	6	"	2 00	1 20
team,	1	"	2	"	4 00	4 80
man,	0	"	3	"	1 50	45
J. A. Casey, plowing,	3	"	4	"	3 50	11 90
sanding,	1	"	9	"	3 50	6 65
shovelling,	1	"	7	"	1 50	2 55
N. Perham, work on street,						17 31
John Melendy, 5 loads stone,						6 25
Willis Bros., blacksmithing,						4 20
H. G. Burns, load of stone,						3 00

TOWN TEAM.

Feb.,	5	days,	5	hours,		4 00	22 00
March,	2	"	0	"		4 00	8 00
April,	7	"	0	"	carting,	4 00	28 00
"	13	"	0	"	machine,	4 50	58 50
May,	14	"	0	"	"	4 50	63 00
"	6	"	0	"	carting,	4 00	24 00
June,	9	"	4	"	"	4 00	37 60
"	13	"	2	"	machine,	4 50	59 40
July,	10	"	0	"	"	4 50	45 00
"	12	"	8	"	carting,	4 00	51 20
Aug.,	18	"	7	"	"	4 00	74 80
"	5	"	0	"	machine,	4 50	22 50
Sept.,	5	"	0	"	"	4 50	22 50
"	18	"	7	"	carting,	4 00	75 15
Oct.,	16	"	5	"	"	4 00	66 00
"	8	"	5	"	machine,	4 50	38 25
Nov.,	1	"	5	"	"	4 50	6 75
"	17	"	5	"	carting,	4 00	70 00
Dec.,	6	"	3	"		4 00	25 20
Jan.,	16	"				4 00	64 00

Amount expended on streets,	$4,483 08
Balance in hands of agent,	20
	$4,483 28

Respectfully submitted,

CLARENCE J. GUTTERSON,

Road Agent.

MILFORD, N. H., Feb. 21, 1898.

We certify that we have examined the foregoing account and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

CARL E. KNIGHT,

C. S. EMERSON,

Auditors.

SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Board of Water Commissioners,

MILFORD, N. H.

STATISTICS.

Services.

Number of water services Feb. 15, 1897, 425.
Number of services added during the year, 30.
Total, 455.

Hydrants.

Three hydrants have been added during the year at terminal of mains on Elm, Nashua and Prospect streets, making total number of hydrants, 59.

Extension of Mains.

During the year 2,445 feet of water mains have been laid, as follows: Dearborn street, 290 feet of 4 inch main; South Myrtle street, 665 feet 4 inch main; Olive street, 221 feet 4 inch main; Elm street, 300 feet 6 inch main; Nashua street, 625 feet 6 inch main; Prospect street, 344 feet 6 inch main.

Repairs and Improvements.

The general repairs are such as usually occur. In connection with the setting of the new boiler, there have been several repairs and improvements made in and upon the station. A new cement floor has been laid, a door cut in rear of old boiler for removing ashes, the walls and ceiling whitewashed, presenting a much neater and cleaner appearance, and a new work bench added. The foundation to the old boiler was found to have settled on one side. This has been built up and the boiler restored to its original position and the boiler thoroughly inspected.

New Boiler.

During the year the Commissioners have placed in the station a new boiler of 100 horse power, built by the Roberts' Iron Works, upon plans and specifications furnished by the Hartford

Steam Boiler Insurance Co. Pains were taken that the general appearance of the front castings should be in general conformity with the old one, though the boiler itself is totally unlike it. The heads are of 1-2 inch flange, and the shell of 3-8 O. H. Homogenous Fire Box, steel longitudinal seams butted, jointed with double covering plates, triple riveted, rivet holes drilled in place, Roe's patent man-hole, and Hub shaking grate Excavations for foundation was made from four to five feet, and foundation built up of solid masonry and cement. We are now equipped with a reserve pump and reserve boiler.

Pumping Statistics.

1897.	Pumping time.	Coal consumed.	Gals. water pumped.
January.			
February,	251 hours,	33,400 lbs.	3,090,848
March,	225 "	34,546 "	2,965,435
April,	198 "	30,442 "	2,582,836
May,	203 "	29,495 "	2,804,520
June,	211 "	28,304 "	2,841,110
July,	191 "	26,888 "	3,029,225
August,	172 "	23,712 "	2,454,960
September,	179 "	25,678 "	2,421,245
October,	187 "	28,123 "	2,417,490
November,	166 "	26,484 "	2,198,935
December,	192 "	28,991 "	2,518,961

General Remarks.

The past year has been rather an unusual one. At the beginning of the year we were confronted with a short supply of water. Water in both wells was low, and was pumped out almost as fast as they filled up, but with the heavy rain fall during the spring they gradually filled up and have remained so. The quantity of water pumped is much less than the year previous This can be accounted for during the summer months by the wet season, making the use of hose unnecessary. During the winter months the decrease must be owing to greater care being taken to prevent waste and the gradual increase of the number of services metered.

Doubt having been expressed during the early winter as to the quality of water being up to its former standard, a sample of water was taken from the stand pipe, where it was claimed the contamination took place, and sent to Prof. E. R. Angell for sanitary analysis. The result was satisfactory in every way, and the summing up of his report was, "This is good water."

Aside from the extra expense incident to the new boiler, we have this year paid the interest on the water bonds, $3,000, and applied $600 towards the payment of the sinking fund.

Late in the season an application for extension of main in Crosby street was received, but the season was so far advanced as not to permit laying the same before frost came it was not considered.

We again call the attention of water consumers to the waste of water. We believe the present source of supply sufficient for several years to come for all necessary purposes, and it is for the interest of every citizen and taxpayer to avoid all possible waste. The saving will be manifest in the fuel account and the large expense incident to an increase of the water supply.

C. L. WILKINS, term expires 1898,
JOHN HADLOCK, " " 1899,
B. R. CAME, " " 1900,
Water Commissioners.

MILFORD, Feb. 19, 1898.

FINANCIAL REPORT

OF THE

Board of Water Commissioners

OF THE TOWN OF MILFORD FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1898.

Condensed Report.

DR.

Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1897,	$1,334 15
Receipts from water rates for year,	4,957 86
Received for new services,	448 08
" pipe and material sold,	46 75
" use of pump,	21 50
Received from town of Milford:	
Hydrant service,	2,595 00
Drinking fountains,	60 00
Supply public buildings,	94 00
Flushing sewers,	1 80

Received from Board of Education,	105 34	
" " Public library,	11 00	
" " Fire department,	11 00	
		$9,686 48

Cr.

John N. Robertson, salary,	$840 00	
Salary of Water Commissioners,	75 00	
" Registrar,	75 00	
Fuel and supplies at station,	849 52	
Repairs on station grounds and old boiler,	134 53	
New boiler,	1,104 12	
General repairs,	59 67	
Extension of mains,	1,614 27	
New services,	679 28	
Meters,	318 49	
Miscellaneous,	95 41	
Interest on water bonds,	3,000 00	
Part payment of sinking fund,	600 00	
Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1898,	241 19	
		$9,686 48

REPORT OF EXPENDITURES IN DETAIL.

Management.

Salary of commissioners,	$75 00	
Salary of registrar,	75 00	
		$150 00

Pumping Expenses.

John N. Robertson, salary,	$840 00	
B. R. Came & Son, coal,	740 18	
Oil, waste, packing, etc.,	56 64	
Kendall & Wilkins, oil, etc.,	4 00	
Hutchinson & Averill, oil, etc.,	2 35	
M. T. Davidson, repairs on pumps,	46 35	
General repairs,	59 67	
		$1,749 19

Services Account.

Pay roll,	$346 30	
E. M. Parker, freight and teaming,	12 88	
Thomas Hoey,	238 16	
J. M. Stickney,	62	
W. L. Winslow,	4 87	
George A. Avery,	74 65	
E. M. Dart Manufacturing Co.,	1 80	
		$679 28

Construction Account.

Pay roll,	$699 28	
Builders Iron Foundry Co.,	666 20	
Chadwick Lead Works,	65 99	
Chapman Valve Co.,	91 70	
E. M. Parker, freight and teaming,	27 70	
Express,	1 70	
J. M. Stickney,	14 60	
Pennichuck Water Works,	7 50	
George A. Avery,	35 75	
Kendall & Wilkins,	3 85	
		$1,614 27

New Boiler Account.

Roberts Iron Works,	$580 87	
Thomas Hoey,	49 45	
W. L. Winslow, stock and labor,	291 19	
Express,	1 55	
James Reilly, teaming,	8 00	
John Grafton, teaming,	11 75	
Merrill Bros , teaming,	5 00	
Freight,	16 00	
Pay roll,	103 25	
Calvin Coburn,	1 86	
W. J. Prince,	1 75	
George A. Avery,	30 27	
Walworth Manufacturing Co.,	3 18	
		$1,104 12

Meter Account.

National Meter Co.,	$297 55	
Thomson Meter Co.,	20 94	
		$318 49

Miscellaneous.

C. L. Wilkins,	$5 66
W. B. Rotch,	3 00
Pay roll,	1 50
C. F. Johnson,	2 50
E. R. Angell,	3 00
S. Carroll Coburn,	25
Ordway & Kendall,	1 50
W. F. French,	4 50
Mixer & Dodge,	75

E. M. Stanyan,	50	
Geo. A. Avery,	37 90	
Stamps and stamped envelopes,	14 40	
Thomas Hoey,	10 00	
Sumner & Goodwin,	5 25	
Jas. P. Melzer,	3 15	
Express	1 55	
		$95 41

Repairs at Station Grounds and Old Boiler.

Pay roll,	29 85	
W. L. Winslow,	51 68	
John McLane,	20	
Geo. A. Avery,	29 39	
Kendall & Wilkins,	8 05	
C. H. V. Smith,	8 21	
Merrill Bros.,	2 00	
Chelmsford Foundry Co.,	1 25	
W. J. Prince,	3 90	
		$134 53

B. R. CAME,
JOHN HADLOCK,
C. L. WILKINS,
Water Commissioners.

C. L. WILKINS, *Registrar.*
Feb. 15, 1898.

FEB. 17, 1898.

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts and find the same correctly cast and properly vouched.

CARL E. KNIGHT,
C. S. EMERSON,
Auditors.

Statement of Assets.

Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1898,	241 19	
Material and supplies on hand on construction account,	300 00	
Ditto services account,	170 00	
Ditto meter "	350 00	
Amount due for new services,	223 47	
Amount due on meter rates and special water contracts,	116 35	
		$1,401 01
Tools and machinery,		736 62

First Summary.

Income:		
Water rates for year from private services,	$4,957 86	
Town of Milford, hydrant service,	2,595 00	
" " Drinking fountain,	60 00	
" " Flushing sewers,	1 80	
" " Public buildings,	94 00	
Board of Education,	105 34	
Public library,	11 00	
Fire department,	11 00	
Miscellaneous income,	68 25	
		$7,904 25
Operating expenses:		
Jno. N. Robertson, salary,	840 00	
Management,	150 00	
Fuel and supplies,	849 52	
General repairs,	59 67	
		$1,899 19
Net income,		$6,005 06

Second Summary.

Total receipts:		
Water rates,	$4,957 86	
Town of Milford,	2,750 80	
Board of education,	105 34	
Public library,	11 00	
Fire department,	11 00	
New services added,	448 08	
Miscellaneous,	68 25	
Cash on hand Feb. 15, 1897,	1,334 15	
		$9,686 48
Total expenditure:		
Maintenance of works,	$1,899 19	
Construction,	1,614 27	
New boiler,	1,104 12	
Meters,	318 49	
Services,	679 28	
Repairs, station grounds and old boiler,	134 53	
Interest on water bonds,	3,000 00	
Part payment sinking fund,	600 00	
Miscellaneous,	95 41	
Balance cash on hand Feb. 15, 1898,	241 19	
		$9,686 48

General Summary.

Water loan bonds, first issue,	$65,000 00	
" " " second issue,	10,000 00	
Premium on second issue,	303 75	
Income from works to Feb. 15, 1898,	42,255 62	
		$117,558 37

Total cost of water works to Feb. 15, 1898:

Amount paid Milford Water Works Co.,	$62,562 01	
Interest on notes given in first payment,	4,511 25	
" bonded debt, 1892,	2,000 00	
" " " 1893,	2,600 00	
" " " 1894,	3,000 00	
" " " 1895,	3,000 00	
" " " 1896,	3,000 00	
" " " 1897,	3,000 00	
Expense of bond issue, $65,000,	186 60	
New construction,	17,121 89	
Maintenance to Feb. 15, 1898,	15,066 27	
Tools and machinery,	736 62	
		$116,784 64
Surplus, receipts above expenditures,		773 73
		$177,558 37

REPORT OF THE

Federal Hill School House Building Committee.

Receipts:

Town of Milford, appropriation March 9, 1897,		$1,000 00

Payments:

1897.		
May 29, Robert Ripley, work on cellar,	$ 10 80	
" " Merrill & Joslyn, on contract,	350 00	
June 25, Broadview Granite Co.,	46 00	
" 29, Merrill & Joslyn, bal. on contract,	350 00	
July 7, Merrill & Joslyn, work on outbuildings, etc.,	29 70	
June 30, D. Webster Allen, slate blackboard,	21 42	
July 12, J. A. Mixer, painting fence and outbuildings,	12 82	
July 15, F. W. Farnsworth, expense on blackboards and flagstaff,	4 00	
July 15, Geo. W. Woodward, work on cellar and grading,	13 10	
Sept. 11, Robert Ripley, stone work,	1 50	
" " W. French, hardware,	1 35	
" " M. F. Foster, cleaning windows, etc.,	1 50	
" " Emerson & Son, settees,	16 00	
" 27, E M. Parker, teaming,	1 85	
Oct. 2, E. J. Parker, drawing plans,	6 00	
Oct. 7, H. H. Barber, curtains,	5 28	
" " W. L. Winslow, mason work,	34 99	
" " Geo. A. Avery,	5 93	
Oct. 22, Joslyn & Sargent, putting down seats,	7 50	
Nov. 8, Bobrick School Furniture Co., seats,	77 30	
		$997 04
Balance in hands of Committee,		2 96

Respectfully submitted,

M. F. FOSTER,
F. W. FARNSWORTH,
EDGAR I. KENDALL,
Building Committee.

MILFORD, N. H., Feb. 19, 1898.

We certify that we have examined the foregoing account and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

CARL E. KNIGHT,
C. S. EMERSON,
Auditors.

Warrant For The Annual Meeting

OF THE

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF MILFORD.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

To the inhabitants of the School District of the Town of Milford qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town House in said District on the tenth day of March, A. D., 1898, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a moderator for the ensuing year.

2. To choose a clerk for the ensuing year.

3. To choose a member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.

4. To choose a treasurer for the ensuing year.

5. To see what sum of money the District will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of Schools for the ensuing year.

6. To see if the District will vote to build a School House at East Milford and raise and appropriate money for the same.

7. To see if the District will vote to move the Abbott District School house to East Milford and raise and appropriate money for the same.

8. To see if the District will vote to sell the Abbott District School House.

9. To see if the District will vote to insure any of its school property and raise and appropriate money for the same.

10. To choose agents, auditors and committees in relation to any subjects embraced in this warrant.

11. To hear the reports of agents, auditors and committees heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.

Given under our hands and seal this twenty-third day of February, A. D., 1898.

FRED W. FARNSWORTH,
LAURA B. SMITH,
EDGAR I. KENDALL,
School Board.

REPORT OF

The Board of Educaton.

The Board of Education presents to the citizens of Milford this report of the Schools for the year ending Feb. 15, 1898.

We entered upon the work of the year well equipped with an efficient corps of teachers throughout the town and have with a few changes been able to retain the same during the whole year. During the spring term, we were called upon to mourn the loss of Miss Bradley, who was called to enter that higher school, even the heavenly. Miss Bradley always showed herself a hard-working, faithful teacher.

Federal Hill School occupied its new quarters at the commencement of the Fall term.

Every School in town with the exception of the Shedd has had 36 weeks of schooling. This School was closed during the Spring term, and its few scholars provided for at the Osgood school.

The North, Osgood and West side School Buildings will all need painting during the coming year.

The inhabitants of East Milford are now asking that a School be provided for them, somewhere near Laurel station, that will accommodate the smaller scholars for the first 2 or 3 years of school life. This demand seems to the Board just, for 2 miles is too long a distance to ask children 5 and 6 years of age to walk to School each day.

We publish in our report this year the course of study of the High School, and are in hopes to publish a course for all the grades below the High in our report of next year.

No. of scholars enrolled, five years of ags and upward, attending School not less than two weeks, boys,

324; girls, 321; children under six years, 59; between six and sixteen, 523; over sixteen 42; average membership 552; average daily attendance, 500; No. between five and sixteen years not attending any school, 31; whole number of different scholars registered who have attended school one day or more, 674.

These items are taken from the report made in August, 1897, to the State Superintendent for the school year.

Our schools were never larger and as a whole in better condition than at the present time, and their condition is such that we are attracting to them many pupils from out of town.

This is to the credit of the town and is an enduring monument to the liberality of the citizens, who have by their votes and their money contributed in the past to the founding and fostering of our public Schools.

The good people who have so liberally done all this in the past, will be more than willing to do even more in the future for the good name of old Milford, and for the better fitting of her sons and daughters for the duties which will soon rest down upon their shoulders as they come forward to take up the burdens that the fathers and mothers lay down.

High School Graduates.

CLASS OF 1897.

Herbert Allen Bennett.
Marion Cynthia Hall.
Frances Louise Knapp.
Otho Lewis Nelson.
Florence Carrie Reynolds.
Amy Robinson.
Annie Gertrude Sargent.
Edith Wilhelmina Kimball Putnam.

Grammar School Graduates.

Rachel Gibson Anderson.
Edith Mabel Burns,
Henrietta Frances Byam.
Anna Lawrence Chase.
Flora Pearl Ferris.
Ina Emmeline Hutchinson.
Mary Keville.
Mary Elizabeth Patterson.
Florence Maud Chancy.
Percy Edward Armstrong.
Patsey Joseph O'Connor.
Daniel James Ellison.
Hale Fred Jordan.
Perley William Perham.
Harry North Peck.
Ernest Shattuck.
Otis Shaw Smith.
Byron Chandler Hall.

List of Teachers.

School.	*Teachers.*	*Term.*
High,	Harry C. Morrison, principal,	year.
"	Sarah L. Bird,	"
"	Alice P. Campbell,	"
Ninth grade,	Mary E. Knight,	"
Eighth "	Sarah F. Norcross,	"
Seventh "	Jessie Marshall,	"
Sixth "	Grace M. Reed,	"
Fifth "	Emily C. A. Starrett,	"
Fourth "	Louise R. Anderson,	"
Third "	Alice C. Gray,	"
" "	Lilla J. Ames, assistant,	"
Second "	Hattie M. Foster,	"
" "	Lottie B. Hodgman,	spring.
" "	Caro G. Graydon,	fall and winter.
First "	Edith M. Leathe,	year.
" "	Mary E. Davidson,	
Federal Hill,	Esther Paul,	spring.
" "	Frances L. Knapp,	fall and winter.
North,	Annie A. Downes,	spring.
"	Ivah L. Kenney,	fall and winter.

Osgood,	Mabel L. Bradley,	spring.
"	Caro G. Graydon,	"
"	Georgiana D. Hutchinson,	fall and winter.
Pine Valley,	Sara S. Alley,	year.
Shedd,	Sarah A. Harvell,	fall and winter.

FRED W. FARNSWORTH,
LAURA B. SMITH,
EDGAR I. KENDALL,
Board of Education

Course of Study Milford High School.

Course I.

Greek College Preparatory.

FIRST YEAR.

Latin. Beginners' Book, followed by Viri Romae, the Breviary of Entropius, or other easy reading. 180 periods

Elementary Algebra. The four fundamental cases, factoring, fractions, the solution of equations of the first degree, involution and evolution. 180 periods

English History. Study of manual with supplementary work in the library. 90 periods.

English Language Work. Chiefly exercises in composition under the direction of the teacher of English. 90 periods

Course II.

Modern Language College Preparatory.

Latin, as in Course I. 180 periods

Elementary Algebra, as in Course I. 130 periods

English History, as in Course I. 90 periods

English Language work, as in Course I. 90 periods

Course III.

English.

Physical Geography. 90 periods

Botany. Study of manual with field work and collection of herbarium. 90 periods

Elementary Algebra, as in Course I. 180 periods
English History, as in Course I. 90 periods
English Language work, as in Course I. 90 periods

Course I.

SECOND YEAR.

Latin. Prose of first year continued and followed by selections from Comelius Nepos and from Cæsar's Commentaries. Prose composition based on work read. 180 periods
Greek. Beginners's Book, followed by Anabasis or by such other Greek prose narrative as colleges may prescribe. Greek prose composition based on work read. 180 periods
Advanced algebra. Radicals, equations of the second degree, proportion and progressions. 60 periods
Plane Geometry. 120 periods

Course II.

Latin, as in Course I. 180 periods
French or German. Study of forms and of grammar, followed by translation of standard work. 180 periods
Advanced Algebra, as in Course I. 60 periods
Plane Geometry, as in Course 1. 120 periods

Course III.

French History. Topical study of the French Monarchy and of Mediaeval and Modern Europe. 90 periods
English Language. Formal study of English Grammar, 90 periods
Book-keeping. Double entry. 60 periods
Physiology and Hygiene. 60 periods
Geology. Study of manual. illustrated by field work and the Allen Collection of minerals and fossils. 60 periods
Advanced Algebra, as in Course I. 60 periods
Plane Geometry, as in Course I. 120 periods

Course 1.

THIRD YEAR.

Latin. Selections from Ovid, followed by the Catalinian orations of Cicero, Daily practice in sight translation. Systematic study of syntax. 144 periods
Greek. The Anabasis or equivalent finished. Homer's Iliad or Odyssey. Sight reading. Greek prose composition based upon work read. 180 periods

Plane Geometry. 60 periods

Physics. Study of manual and laboratory work, the latter chiefly verification of important principles by simple measurements.

Recitation.....36 } 168 periods
Laboratory, 48 double }

Greek History. One period per week throughout the year.

36 periods

Course I.

FOURTH YEAR.

Latin. Six books of the Aeneid. Select orations of Cicero with study of Latin Literature. Prose composition based upon Cicero's orations. Sight reading. 144 periods

Greek. College requirements completed. Study of Greek Literature. Sight reading. Prose composition. 60 periods

English Literature. Study of manual with intensive reading of college requirements under direction of instructor.

120 periods

Physics with laboratory work continued.

Recitation... ..... 36 } 84 periods
Laboratory, 24 double }

Chemistry. Study of manual, with lectures by instructor, and laboratory work, the latter chiefly observational.

Recitation.....72 } 168 periods
Laboratory, 48 double }

Roman History, One period per week throughout the year.

36 periods

Course II.

Latin, as in Course I. 144 periods

French or German. Reading of standard works continued. Systematic study of grammar. Memorization of select poems.

180 periods

Plane Geometry. 60 periods

Physics, as in Course I. 168 periods

Greek History. 36 periods

Course III.

Mathematics. Either Trigonometry or Solid Geometry or Advanced Arithmetic, the choice resting with the principal.

144 periods

Rhetoric. Study of manual with class criticism of essays.

60 periods

Astronomy. 60 periods

Civil Goverment with comparative study of modern states. 60 periods
Plane Geometry. 60 periods
Physics, as in Course I. 168 periods
Greek History. 36 periods

Course II.

Latin, as in Course I. 144 periods
French or German. College requirements completed. 60 periods
English Literature, as in Course I. 120 periods
Physics, as in Course I. 84 periods
Chemistry, as in Course I. 168 periods
Roman History. 36 periods

Course III.

History study. Intensive study of important periods or of important movements in the history of the world. 144 periods
Commercial Law. This course is designed chiefly to instruct the pupil in the relations at common law existing between men in ordinary business transactions. 60 periods
English Literature, as in Course I. 120 periods
Physics, as in Course I. 84 periods
Chemistry, as in Course I. 168 periods
Roman History. 36 periods

At least six declamations before the school are required from each student for each year, but original speeches when assigned may be counted in the place of several declamations.

A prescribed amount of extensive general reading, under the direction of a teacher, is required of each student.

REPORT DISTRICT TREASURER.

Receipts.

Balance from last report,	$ 25 78	
Town of Milford, school appropriation,	12,000 00	
" " Appro. for Dist. debt,	2,160 00	
" " Literary fund,	399 90	
" " Dog licenses,	328 85	
Tuition,	92 00	
Endicott Park,	15 00	
Miscellaneous,	1 00	
		$15,022 53

Expenditures.

INSTRUCTION.

H. C. Morrison,	$1,211 08	
Sarah L. Bird,	608 30	
Alice P. Campbell,	527 73	
Mary E. Knight,	527 73	
Sarah F Norcross,	475 00	
Jessie Marshall,	475 00	
Grace M. Reed,	422 18	
Louise R. Anderson,	442 18	
Emily C. A. Starrett,	422 18	
Caro C. Graydon,	219 99	
Mary E. Davidson,	342 00	
Alice C. Gray,	422 18	
Lilla J. Ames,	180 00	
Hattie M. Foster,	369 36	
Edith M. Leathe,	342 00	
Ivah L. Kenney,	144 00	
Frances L. Knapp,	139 50	
Georgiana D. Hutchinson,	139 50	
Sara S. Alley,	360 00	
Mabel L. Bradley,	63 00	
Annie A Downes,	180 00	
Lizzie J. Holland,	70 00	
Esther D. Paul,	168 00	
Lettie B. Hodgeman,	166 65	
Sarah A. Harvell,	127 40	
		$8,544 96

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Werner School Book Co.,	$96 66	
American Book Co.,	99 73	
J. L. Hammett Co.,	7 24	
Ginn & Co.,	374 31	
Macmillan Co.,	8 28	
Emerson & Son,	27 15	
Silver, Burdett & Co.,	33 95	
H. L. Bartlett,	7 77	
L. E. Knott Apparatus Co.,	145 73	
Kendall & Wilkins,	2 44	
W. F. French,	83 79	
D. G. Hartshorn,	1 65	
E. M. Parker, express agent,	2 24	
F. P. Gregg,	4 00	
Allyn & Bacon,	14 59	
The Morse Co.,	12 70	
Maynard & Merrill,	10 08	
Thompson, Brown & Co ,	53 50	
D C. Heath & Co ,	23 98	
Eagle Oil and Supply Co.,	6 21	
Lee & Shepard,	2 00	
H. H. Barber,	63	
F. W. Farnsworth,	227 83	
Longmans, Green & Co.,	7 00	
John McLane,	40	
		$1,252 86

REPAIRS AND IMPROVEMENTS.

W. L. Winslow,	$71 15
Junkins & Haseltine,	11 56
A. E. Gay,	7 13
Bobrick School Furniture Co.,	76 80
S. E. Johnson,	8 65
French & Heald,	67 50
George Falconer,	5 50
James E. Webster,	14 10
George L. Darracott,	2 90
George A. Avery,	141 65
A. W. Howison,	36 20
Emerson & Son,	33 65
E. J. Parker,	17 76

James A. Mixer,	7 05	
Milo Burnham,	3 25	
J. T. & E. B. Burns,	3 30	
Emerson & Ware,	1 50	
D. G. Hartshorn,	50	
G. M. Center,	1 95	
George A. Worcester,	2 34	
J. N. Robertson,	2 45	
J. B. Burtt,	8 00	
		$524 89

FUEL.

D. Whiting & Sons,	$ 2 75	
I. H. Carleton,	10 23	
Frank Hartshorn,	30 00	
B. R. Came & Son,	617 77	
E. K. Jewett,	16 25	
O. R. Kendall,	17 50	
Geo. Crosby,	22 00	
J. B. Burtt,	63 00	
J. F. Savage,	15 00	
J. T. & E. B. Burns,	15 00	
		$809 50

JANITORS AND LABOR.

W. G. Parker,	$ 1 37	
Lizzie J. Holland,	4 00	
George N. Woodward,	1 50	
James A. Casey,	9 00	
E. M. Parker,	40	
Albert Herley,	5 00	
Caro G. Graydon,	1 00	
Annie A. Downes,	3 00	
Sara S. Alley,	6 00	
George Crosby,	1 50	
James E. Frost,	4 50	
Mary Raymond,	8 00	
Leon Emerson,	1 05	
John Melendy,	12 00	
Mrs. Peter Cota,	37 60	
Lewis Adams,	11 00	
Walter Billings,	74 65	
D. G. Hartshorn,	487 50	
G. M. Center,	289 00	

E. J. Parker,	53	
John Bishop,	18 24	
		$976 84

MISCELLANEOUS.

Kendall & Wilkins, lawn dressing, etc.,	$ 5 00	
H. C. Morrison, heliograph,	4 00	
A. L. Keyes, publishing notice,	2 15	
Ordway & Kendall, teams,	15 50	
G. B. Smith, lettering diplomas,	6 00	
E. D. Paull, kindergarten supplies,	1 10	
E. E. Hill, school census enumerator,	14 00	
B. E. James, use of stage in town hall,	1 50	
A. L. Keyes, boiler inspection and insurance,	25 00	
Fred A. Conrey, transportation,	5 00	
F. J. Allen, expense for mineral collection,	22 00	
Milford Water Works,	105 34	
D. G. Hartshorn, cash for sundries,	1 65	
B. M. Chase, transportation of scholars,	17 00	
G. M. Center, phosphate,	40	
Erwin Putnam, rebate on tuition,	1 50	
E M. Parker, teaming,	75	
Milford Electric Light Co.,	10 06	
Boston & Maine Railroad, transportation of scholars,	46 00	
M. E. Cobleigh, transportation of scholars,	22 00	
C. L. Hutchins, rent,	40 00	
F. A. Dodge, truant officer,	10 00	
E. I. Kendall, expense,	3 79	
Ordway & Kendall, teams,	4 25	
F. W. Farnsworth, telephone expense,	35	
		$364 34

PRINTING.

W. B. Rotch,	$29 25	
James P. Melzer,	7 00	
		$36 25

DISTRICT OFFICERS.

F. W. Farnsworth,	$100 00	
Laura B. Smith,	75 00	
Edgar I. Kendall,	75 00	
		$250 00

NOTES AND INTEREST.

E. H. Rollins & Son,		$2,160 00

Summary.

Receipts,		$15,022 53
Expenditures:		
Instruction,	$8,544 96	
Printing,	36 25	
Notes and interest,	2,160 00	
Books and supplies,	1,252 86	
Fuel,	809 50	
Janitors and labor.	976 84	
Repairs and improvements,	524 89	
Miscellaneous,	364 34	
District officers,	250 00	
		$14,919 64
Balance,		$102 89

Respectfully submitted,

EDGAR I. KENDALL,
Treasurer.

MILFORD, N. H., Feb. 17, 1898.

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing account and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

CARL E. KNIGHT,
C. S. EMERSON,
Auditors.

VITAL STATISTICS.

To the Selectmen :

In compliance with an act of the Legislature, enacted June session, 1887, requiring "clerks of towns and cities to furnish a transcript of the births, marriages and deaths to the municipal officers for publication in the annual report," I herewith submit the following.

J. M. LAWS, *Town Clerk.*

Births Registered in the Town of Milford for the Year ending December 31, 1897.

Date of birth.	Name of the child (if any).	Sex and condition. Sex.	Living or still-born.	No. of child, 1st, 2d, etc.	Color.	Name of father.	Maiden name of mother.	Color of parents.	Residence of parents.	Occupation of father.	Birthplace of father.	Birthplace of mother.
Jan. 4	Rosa Mayo	F.	L.	4	W.	Eugene Mayo	Mary A. Jacques	W.	Milford	Stone worker	Green River, P. Q.	Windsor Mills, P. Q.
" 30	Mary P. LeClair	"	"	1	"	Albert Le Claire	Rosanna Pinard	"	"	Stone cutter	St. Germain, P. Q.	St. Camille, P. Q.
Feb. 7		"	"	5	"	Philip J. Begin	Delphine Fornier	"	"	Barber	St. Julie, P. Q.	Black River, P. Q.
" 15	Marion Doris Buzzell	"	"	5-6	"	Elmer E. Buzzell	Cynthia A. Humbert	"	"	Teamster	Lake Village	Sciota, Ill.
" 19	Cecil Conrad Norton	M.	"	2	"	Conrad N. Norton	Eva L. Hathen	"	"	Granite cutter	Sweden	Finland.
" 20	Henry Joseph Duby	"	"	7	"	David Duby	Rosanna Plant	"	"	Stone mason	Green Isl., P. Q.	Nashua.
" 21	Dot Sears	F.	"	1	"	Frank N. Sears	Lilla M. Pike	"	"	Mechanic	Milford	Perkinsville, Vt.
Mar. 1	Alice Josephine Stanyan	"	"	1	"	Edward M. Stanyan	Helen A. Frye	"	"	Publisher	Milford	Manchester.
" 12	Oren Albert Wheeler	M.	"	1	"	Albert F. Wheeler	Lucy A. B. Sheldon	"	"	Teamster	East Jaffrey	Billerica, Mass.
" 16	Francis Edward O'Neil	"	"	1	"	James J. O'Neil	Rose A. Nelson	"	"	Teamster	Arlington, Mass.	Wilton.
" 19	Felix Joseph Bitney	"	"	9	"	William Bitney	Rose Gonett	"	"	Laborer	Middlebury, Vt.	Middlebury, Vt.
" 20	Mary Rose Jacques	F.	"	3	"	William Jacques	Victoria Martin	"	"	Wood worker	Windsor, P. Q.	Gardner, Mass.
" 22	Thomas Ryan	M.	"	6	"	Eugene Ryan	Helen A. Ryan	"	"	Carpenter	Amherst	Woburn, Mass.
" 25		"	"	3	"	Adolph Ericeson	Selma Gustafson	"	"	Granite cutter	Sweden	Sweden.
" 27	Franklin Wesley Twitchell	"	"	1	"	Edward L. Twitchell	Nettie Clark	"	"	Teamster	Peterborough	Chelsea, Mass.
" 30	Carl Frederick Hutchinson	"	"	1	"	Fred N. Hutchinson	Mary S. Heald	"	"	Grocer	Brookline	Milford.
" 30	Elliott Herbert Quimby	"	"	2-1	"	Herbert Francis Quimby	Jennie U. Elliott	"	"	Clergyman	West Unity	Nova Scotia.
Apr. 1	Joseph Frederic Soussis	"	"	8	"	Joseph Soussis	Elise Laurange	"	"	Engineer	St. Albans, Vt.	Canada. [P. Q.
" 7	Frank H. Hammond	"	"	6	"	Thomas J. Hammond	Harriett Deill	"	"	Trainman	England	Callendar Sp'ngs,
" 11	Alice Margaret Balmforth	F.	"	6	"	Henry Balmforth	Margaret E. Bray	"	"	Mechanic	England	England.
" 24	Leroy Francis Quigley	M.	"	2	"	Daniel Quigley	Mary Cooley	"	"	Weaver	Amherst	Wilton.
" 28	Bertha Gustafva Wasto	F.	"	3-4	"	Gustave A. Wasto	Augusta Johnson	"	"	Granite cutter	Sweden	Sweden.
May 14	Gladys Christelle Fields	"	"	6	"	Charles A. Fields	Annie Percival	"	"	Basket maker	Peterborough	Fitchburg, Mass.
" 20	Edith Frances Keith	"	"	4	"	William S. Keith	Eva G. Stone	"	"	Soap manufac'r	Warsaw, N. Y.	Milford.
May 21	Lester N. Merrill	M.	"	3	"	Arthur W. Merrill	Grace E. Colby	"	"	Coal dealer, etc.	Milford	Nashua.
" 27	John Bennett Hurley	"	"	3	"	John H. Hurley	Mary Shea	"	"	Mill operative	Milford	Wilton.
June 1	Mildred Berry	F.	"	8	"	Smith Berry	Kate B. Stevens	"	"	Miller	Pittsfield	Salem.
" 9	Alice Campbell King	"	"	2	"	James King	Alice F. Robertson	"	"	Stone cutter	Scotland	Scotland.
" 13	Michael A. L. Soussis	M.	"	2	"	Alphonse Soussis	Josephine Derosier	"	"	Mill operative	Canada	Canada.
" 15	Livia Bianchi	F.	"	4	"	John Bianchi	Merda	"	"	Granite cutter	Italy	Italy.
" 19	Jeremiah O'Connor	M.	"	10	"	Morris O'Connor	Mary Mahoney	"	"	Laborer	Ireland	Ireland.
June 25	Joseph Henry Faubert	"	"	1	"	Ulric Faubert	Pamela Jacques	"	"	Stone worker	Beauharnais, P. Q.	Island Pond, Vt.
" 25	Clarence Nowell James	"	"	2	"	Albert E. James	Almeda Roberts	"	"	Janitor	Tonawanda, N. Y.	Meredith.
" 26	Gertrude Margaret Duval	F.	"	7	"	George H. Duval	Margaret Bresnahan	"	"	Wood finisher	New Boston	Milford.
" 27	Edna Jane Armstrong	"	"	2	"	George D. Armstrong	Mary F. Hazeltine	"	"	Farmer	Bedford	Amherst.

June	28	Wm. Matthew McNulty	M.	L.	4	W.	Edward McNulty	Nellie Cullinan	W.	Milford	Mill operative	Worcester, Mass	So. Acton, Mass.
"	30	Robert Hale Cheyne	"	"	1	"	James Cheyne	Edith W. Hemenway	"	"	Stone cutter	Scotland	Natick, Mass.
July	10	Floyd Richard Hawkins	"	"	2	"	George F. Hawkins	Lillian E. Jordan	"	"	[R. I. Basket maker	Reading, Vt	Boston, Mass.
"	18	Edith Clara Hutchinson	F.	"	1	"	Charles A. Hutchinson	Emma P. Murphy	"	Brownwell,	Farmer	Milford	Barre, Vt.
"	25	Leona May Parkhurst	"	"	1	"	Elmer E. Parkhurst	Mabel W. Colby	"	Milford	Stone mason	Amherst	Manchester.
"	26	Helen Anne Murphy	"	"	5	"	Timothy J. Murphy	Mary J. Hagnon	"	"	Stone contract'r	Concord	Richmond, Va.
Aug.	1	Emil Ulysses Wheeler	M.	"	1	"	Ulysses A. Wheeler	Lucy B. Mills	"	Sharon, Ms.	Grocer's clerk	Hollis	So. Lawrence, Ms.
"	4	Arthur J. De Montigney	"	"	4	"	Henry De Montigney	Belle Resada	"	Milford	Carpenter	Canada	St. John, N. B.
"	16	Bernard L. Pope	"	"	8	"	George Pope	Mary Ready	"	"	Mill operative	England	England.
"	23	Gladys Aydelia Hall	F.	"	2	"	Louis M. Hall	Fanny M. Wilkins	"	"	Clerk	Milford	Mont Vernon.
"	25	Anastatia Catharine O'Brien*	"	"	1	"	Joseph T. O'Brien	Mary A. Cahan	"	"	Farmer	Mont Vernon	Woburn, Mass.
"	25	John Jeremiah O'Brien*	M.	"	2	"	Joseph T. O'Brien	Mary A. Cahan	"	"	Farmer	Mont Vernon	Woburn, Mass.
"	29	Lottie Farnsworth	F.	"	3	"	Lewis H. Farnsworth	Salina May Glode	"	"	Granite polisher	Woodbury, Vt	Troy, N. Y.
"	30	Gertrude Alice Pillsbury	"	"	2	"	Andrew V. Pillsbury	Alice C. Dunbar	"	"	Painter	Springfield	Westfield, Mass.
Sept.	2	Marie A. V. U. Derosier	"	"	1	"	Alexander Derosier	Alphonsine Lebelle	"	"	Laborer	Canada	Canada.
"	2	Maurice Leroy Daniels	M.	"	3	"	David L. Daniels	Hattie V. Chase	"	"	Granite dealer	England	Woburn, Mass.
"	4	Leah Cassavant	F.	"	4	"	Napoleon Cassavant	Artamese Boushma	"	"	Blacksmith	St. Pas. P. Q.	St. Paul, P. Q.
"	5	Frank Reckwood Wilson	M.	"	3-1	"	William H. Wilson	Mary Easton	"	"	Plumber	Manchester	Milford.
"	9	Dorothy Hella McGaffey	F.	"	1	"	Frank B. McGaffey	Bessie A. Shattuck	"	"	Farm're finisher	Nashua [Vt.	Peterborough.
"	15		"	"	4-1	"	Will A. Holt	Jenette Tarbell	"	"	Brakeman	Plymouth Union,	Grafton, Vt.
"	24	Florence Ellison Glines	"	"	3	"	Charles H. Glines	Florence B. Bryant	"	"	Stone carver	Quincy, Mass.	Moline, Ill.
"	24	Ora Zieta Watkins	"	"	1	"	Leon Z. Watkins	Annie L. Fessenden	"	"	Baker	New Durham	Wilton.
"	28	Lucie Iona Coffin	"	"	1	"	Everett B. Coffin	Carrie E. Rand	"	"	Mechanic	Athol, Mass	Manchester.
Oct.	1	Mary Buckley	"	"	1	"	George W. Buckley	Nellie A. Shaughnessey.	"	"	Morocco dresser	Amherst	Manchester.
"	4		"	"	1	"	James S. Bradley	Clara M. Longa	"	"	Granite cutter	Scotland	Merrimack.
"	21	Dorothy Eliza Burns	"	"	5	"	Elmer B. Burns	Bessie G. Hatch	"	"	Lumber dealer	Milford	Milford.
"	26	Claude Elsworth Johnson	M.	"	1	"	Weston R. Johnson	Alice Searles	"	Nashua	Farm're finisher	Manchester	Mont Vernon.
Nov.	6	Marion Frances Chisholm	F.	"	1	"	John W. Chisholm	Mabel C. Jackson	"	Milford	Tailor	Nova Scotia	Barre, Vt.
"	8	Leo Francis Hutchinson	M.	"	5	"	Fred A. Hutchinson	Alice C. Ward	"	"	Mechanic	Milford	Wilton.
"	12	Mary Esther Gutterson	F.	"	4-3	"	Marcus U. Gutterson	Amy Patterson	"	"	R. R. employee.	Milford	Dorchester.
"	19		"	"	6	"	Cyrille Vignault	Iphigenie Masse	"	"	Quarryman	St. Celestine, C. E.	St. Gertrude, C. E.
"	19	Lawrence E. Crowell	M.	"	1	"	Edward W. Crowell	Elsie R. Crooker	"	"	Mechanic	Nova Scotia	Amherst.
"	23	Kenneth Allbright Farnsworth	"	"	4	"	Fred W. Farnsworth	Emilie Herschler	"	"	Merchant	Milford	Red Wing, Minn.
Dec.	6	Herman Dean	"	"	3	"	Sydney Dean	Susan	"	"	Brakeman	Nova Scotia	Nova Scotia.
"	15	Joseph Daniel Frazer	"	"	3	"	Samuel Frazer	Josephine Martin	"	"	Quarryman	Green Isl., P. Q.	Greenville.
"	16	Ina May Wilder	F.	"	2	"	Walter E. Wilder	Martha Emma Wyeth	"	"	Granite worker	Fitchburg, Mass	Townsend, Mass.
"	18	Mary Dube	"	"	4	"	Peter Dube	Marguerite Gagnon	"	"	Stone cutter	St. Anne, P. Q.	Wells River, P. Q.
"	19	Olivia Theodora Ludwig	"	"	4	"	Samuel W. Ludwig	Eva Maud Robbins	"	"	Machinist	Waldoboro', Me.	Milford.
"	21	Nella Maud Clough	"	"	5	"	George Clough	Stella Foster	"	"		Vermont	Mont Vernon.
"	22	Isabella Etta Mitchell	"	"	8	"	John Mitchell	Susan McCormac	"	"	Quarryman	Scotland	Scotland.
"	26	Lovell J. Sherman	M.	"	1	"	James L. Sherman	Stella Abbott	"	"	Stone cutter	Stoughton, Mass.	Dover.
"	26	Arthur Wadsworth	"	"	1	"	Arthur Wadsworth	Nellie Josephine Fuller	"	"	Clergyman	England	Wrentham, Mass.
"	27	Henry Augustus Gibbons	"	"	2	"	John J. Gibbons	Margaret J. McGuire	"	"	Laborer	Elmira, N. Y.	Wilton.
"	28	Solomon Ellis	"	"	1	"	Jacob G. Ellis	Minnie Prensky	"	"	Clothier	Russia	Russia.
"	30	Caroline Lilian Murphy	F.	"	3	"	Andrew Murphy	Annie McLauchlan	"	"	Quarryman	England	Scotland.

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I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

J. M. LAWS, *Town Clerk.*

Marriages Registered in the Town of Milford for the Year ending December 31, 1897.

Date of marriage.	Place of marriage.	Name and surname of groom and bride.	Residence of each at time of marriage.	Age.	Color.	Occupation of groom and bride.	Place of birth of each.	Names of parents.	Birthplace of parents.	Occupation.	What marriage.	Name, residence, and official station of person by whom married.
Jan. 5	Milford	Wm. H. W. Hinds, Jr.	Milford	29	W.	Physician	Milford	Wm. H. W. Hinds	Chichester	Physician	1	A. J. Rich, Milford, clergyman.
								Hattie M. Twiss	Antrim	Housewife		
		K. Maude Kenney	"	26	"		Greenville	John Kenney	Salem, Mass.	Deputy sheriff	1	
								Mary C. Bullard	Mason	Housewife		
" 6	W. Bedford	Everett B. Coffin	"	34	"	Carpenter	Athol, Mass.	Jason L. Coffin	Bethel, Me	Mechanic	1	Herbert F. Quimby, Milford, clergyman.
								Emeline F. Brown	Harmony, Me.	Housewife		
		Carrie E. Rand	West Bedford	23	"	Dressmaker	Manchester	John H. Rand	Epsom	Mason	1	
								Charlotte W. Colby	Danbury	Housewife		
" 6	Milford	Ralph C. Bartlett	Milford	33	"	Farmer	Milford	George F. Bartlett	Milford	Retired farmer	1	Frank L. Knapp, Milford, clergyman.
								Caroline Tonkin	England	Housewife		
		Fanny D. Foster	"	34	"	Housekeeper	Augusta, Ga.	Moses Freem'n Foster	Milford	Cotton manu'er	1	
								Adelaide L. Doane	Middletown, N.Y.	Housewife		
" 7	"	Benjamin Bouvie	"	33	"	Stonework	Nova Scotia	Alemon Bouvie	Nova Scotia	Farmer	2	George F. Marshall, Milford, Cath. priest.
								Harriet Dalory	Nova Scotia			
		Rosa Jeniott	"	17	"	Housework	Nashua	Xavier Jeniott	Bellany, Can	Hotel saloon	1	
								Matilda Duffault	St. Tuey, Can	Housekeeper		
" 13	Hillsborough	George Farwell	"	24	"	Mechanic	Harrisville	John T. Farwell	Dublin	Mill operative	1	Samuel Eaton, Hillsborough, clergyman.
								Marion L. Griffin	Nelson	Music teacher		
		Lulu M. Harriman	Hillsborough	21	"	Housework	Hillsborough	John Harriman	Lower Bartlett	Farmer	1	
								Sarah Davis	Newport	Housewife		
" 16	Amherst	Arthur O'Brien	Milford	25	"	Stonework	Lyndeborough	Owen O'Brien	Ireland	Laborer	1	Alfred J. McGown, Amherst, clergyman.
								Julia Cameron	Ireland			
		Jennie McInnis	"	24	"	Housework	Marland, N. S.	John McInnis	Nova Scotia	Hosiery work	1	
								Annie ——	Nova Scotia	Housework		
Feb. 8	Manchester	Ulric Faubert	"	28	"	Quarryman	Beauharnais, P.Q.	Gorgoachin Faubert	Beauharnais, P.Q.	Stonework	1	C. R. Hermon, Cath. priest, Manchester.
								Uqunie Tessier	St. Annisey, P. Q.	Housewife		
		Pamile Jacque	"	15	"	Housework	Island Pond, Vt.	Joseph Jacques	St. Joseph, P. Q.		1	
								Julie Huer	Pont Levi, P. Q.	Housewife		
" 24	"	Charles G. Avery	"	23	"	Tinsmith	Nashua	George A. Avery	Temple	Plumber	1	W. H. Morrison, Manchester, clergyman.
								Jennie Perkins	Weare	Housewife		
		Lena M. Sargent	"	20	"	Housework	Milford	Jacob K. Sargent	Acworth	Farmer	1	
								Mary A. Chase	Weare	Housewife		

Feb. 24	Nashua	Chester C. Wilkins	Milford	20	W.	Furn. finisher	Milford	Thomas J. Wilkins	Dracut, Mass.	Laborer	1	J. M. Durrell, Nashua, clergyman.
								Nancy G. Sears	Sackville, N. B.	Housewife		
		Edna M. Adams	"	20	"	Housework	Nashua	Edward T. Adams		Farmer	1	
Mar. 10	Amherst.	Walter S. Withey	"	23	"	Engineer	Milford	Josephine M. Blood	Charlestown, Ms.	Housewife		
								Louis Withey	Sutton		1	Alfred McGown Amherst, clergyman.
		Effie D. Blanchard	Taunton, Mass.	17	"	Housework	Rhode Island	Emma Conrey	Milford	Housewife		
								Ernest E. Blanchard	Taunton, Mass.	Machinist	1	
Apr. 28	Milford	Charley Willis	Milford	24	"	Teamster	Strafford, Vt.	Adella E. ——	Attleboro', Mass.	Housekeeper		
								Byron Willis		Blacksmith	2	Frank L. Knapp, Milford, clergyman.
		Maria O'Hanlon	"	20	"	Housework	Essex, Mass.	Jane Flanders	West Fairlee, Vt.	Housewife		
								James O'Hanlon	Dublin, Ire	Baker	1	
May 9	"	Horace C. Chase	"	54	"	Farmer	Hudson	Mary	Co. Waterford, Ire.	Housewife		
								Friend M. Chase	Pelham	Farmer	2	E. I. Kendall, Milford Justice of the Peace.
		Mrs. Sarah Cummings	"	52	"	Housewife	Manchester	Mehitable Marshall	Pelham	Housewife		
		Miss Sarah A. French						Sumner French	Fitchburg, Mass.	Blacksmith	2	
" 10	"	Arthur Caron	"	25	"	Stone cutter	Warwick, Can.	Mary L. Rice	Sturbridge, Mass.	Housewife		
								F. Zavier Caron	Canada	Gardener	1	George F. Marshall, Milford, Cath. priest.
		Anysie Bidard	"	24	"	Hosiery work.	St. Hinidine, Can.	Rosalie Kayrouce	"	Housewife		
								Charles Bedard	"	Farmer	1	
" 20	"	Arthur E. Watkins	Boston, Mass.	31	"	Clerk	North Stratford	Melanie Lallamme	"	Housewife		
								George Watkins	Leeds, P. Q.	Farmer	1	Frank L. Knapp, Milford, clergyman.
		Lillie Jane Melendy	Milford	27	"		Milford	Sarah C. Fuller	Bloomfield, Vt.	Housewife		
								John B. Melendy	Amherst	Granite dealer	1	
" 31	"	James W. Philbrick	"	26	"	Gran. polisher	Deering	Lydia Hutchinson	Milford	Housewife		
								Frank Philbrick	North Haverhill	Watchman	1	George F. Marshall, Milford, Cath. priest.
		Lizzie J. Hennigan	"	27	"	Hosiery work.	Boston, Mass.	Lucy Tucker	Henniker	Housewife		
June 2	"	Jeremiah Gogin	"	26	"	Railroad work	Ireland	David Hennigan	Ireland	Laborer	1	
								Lizzie Bresnahan	"	Housewife		
								James Gogan	"	Farmer	1	George F. Marshall, Milford, Cath. priest.
		Rose A. Clarkin	"	25	"	Housework	Ireland	Mary Dovanan	"	Housewife		
								Peter Clarkin	"	Farmer	1	
								Catharine McGuire	"	Housewife		
" 8	"	Frank W. Richardson	"	45	"	Merchant	Milford	Wm. P. Richardson	Lyndeborough	Lumber dealer	1	A. J. Rich, Milford, clergyman.
								Julia A. Godkin	Haverhill, Mass.	Housewife		
		Ada F. Perham	"	24	"	Milliner	Milford	John P. Perham	Lyndeborough	Granite dealer	1	
								Sarah E. Follansbee	Londonderry	Housewife		
" 11	"	Wilber F. Tracy	Worcester, Ms.	21	"	Machinist	Simsbury, Conn.	Franklin W. Tracy	Canaan, Conn.	Piano tuner	1	Arthur Wadsworth, Milford clergyman.
								Chloe A. Brockway	Canaan, Conn.	Housewife		
		Grace M. Rhodes	Palmer, Mass.	17	"	At home	Palmer, Mass.	William Rhodes	Southbridge, Ms.	Carpenter	1	
								Clara Brown	Woonsocket, R. I.	Housewife		
" 17	"	Eleazar Cate	Boston, Mass.	32	"	Merchant	Dover	Eleazar Cate	Barrington	Farmer	1	A. J. Rich, Milford, clergyman.
								Lydia B. Miles	Madbury	Housewife		
		Alice E. Rich	Milford	28	"	School teach'r	Westminster, Ms.	A. Judson Rich	Cooper, Me.	Clergyman	1	
								Harriet L. Allen	Dennysville, Me.	Housewife		

MARRIAGES — *Continued.*

Date of marriage.	Place of marriage.	Name and surname of groom and bride.	Residence of each at time of marriage.	Age.	Color.	Occupation of groom and bride.	Place of birth of each.	Names of parents.	Birthplace of parents.	Occupation.	What marriage.	Name, residence, and official station of person by whom married.
June 23	Milford	Richard Epps	Milford	22	W.	Fish dealer	Francestown	Henry D. Epps	Francestown	Hotel keeper	1	H. P. Peck, Milford, clergyman.
								Cynthia A. C. Hardy	Hollis	Housewife		
		Minnie G. Smith	"	25	"	At home	Milford	Charles H. V. Smith	New Boston	Manufacturer	1	
								Martha A. Sargent	Acworth	Housewife		
July 11	"	Thomas O'Brien	"	28	"	Mason	"	Timothy O'Brien	Ireland	Farmer	1	George F. Marshall, Milford, Cath. priest.
								Ellen Lewis	Ireland	Housewife		
		Bridget A. Smith	"	17	"	Housework	"	John C. Smith	St. John, N. B.	Quarryman	1	
								Mary Ann Broderick	Milford	Housewife		
" 21	"	Walter E. Andrews	Worcester, Ms.	31	"	School teach'r	Freedom	Charles H. Andrews	Freedom	Farmer	2	Frank L. Knapp, Milford, clergyman.
								Susan L. Hatch	Madison	Housewife		
		Mary E. Gray	Milford	29	"	School teach'r		James H. Gray	Wilton	Mechanic	1	
								Harriet Putnam	Milford	Housewife		
" 28	"	Thomas H. Cassidy	Hollis	29	"	Carpenter	Nashua	Peter Cassidy	Naas, Ire	Farmer	1	George F. Marshall, Milford, Cath. priest.
								Bridget O'Neil	Ballashannon, Ire.	Housewife		
		Katharine M. Reilley	Milford		"	Paper box w'k	Nova Scotia	Thomas Reilley	Halifax, N. S.	Shoemaker	1	
								Katharine Sullivan	"	Housewife		
" 31	"	Balfour L. Randall	"	27	"	Printer	Nova Scotia	David Randall	Nova Scotia	Farmer	1	Arthur Wadsworth, Milford clergyman.
								Emily Clements	"	Housewife		
		Evora F. Lovejoy	"	25	"	Housework	Milford	Charles Lovejoy	Temple	Teamster	1	
								Sarah F. Sanderson	Mont Vernon	Housewife		
Aug. 2	"	John T. Murphy	"	29	"	Granite mfgr.	Concord	John Murphy	Ireland	Quarryman	1	George F. Marshall, Milford, Cath. priest.
								Johanna Riley	Ireland	Housewife		
		Ellen M. Eastman	"	26	"	Trained nurse	Milford	Philip C. Eastman	Concord	Teamster	1	
								Annie O'Connor	Ireland	Housewife		
" 4	"	Everett Martin	"	23	"	Furn're work	Gardner, Mass.	Charles Martin	St. John, N. B.	Carpenter	1	Chas. H. Dutton, Wilton, clergyman.
								Sarah Chagnon	Montreal, P. Q.	Housewife		
		Eliza Beale	"	22	"	Mill operative	England	John Beal	England	Wheelwright	1	
								Emla Smith	England	Housewife		
Sept. 6	Lawrence, Mass.	Urbain H. Beaulieu	"	50	"	Mill operative	St. Anne, P. Q.	Urbain H. Beaulieu	St. Anne, P. Q.	Farmer	2	J. M. Portal, Lawrence, Mass., clergyman.
								Ortance Michaud	St. Antoine, P. Q.	Housewife		
		Soulange Dube	Lawrence, Mass.	50	"	Housekeeper	St. Anne, P. Q.	Clement Dube	St. Anne, P. Q.	Farmer	2	
								Victoria St. Pierre	St. Anne, P. Q.	Housewife		

Sept.	8	Milford	Eugene H. Manning.	Milford	29	W.	Mechanic	Northbridge, Ms.	Henry H. Manning	New Boston	Pop corn man	1	Arthur Wadsworth, Milford, clergyman.
									Emily Braman	Upton, Mass.	Housewife		
			Florence G. B. Pond.	"	29	"	Housewife	Wilton	John Blanchard	Lyndeborough	Farmer	2	
									Harriet K. Glines	Concord	Housewife		
"	13	Wilton	Peter Rabdeau.	"	25	"	Mill operative	Slatersville, R. I.	Joseph Rabdeau	St. David, Can	Farmer	1	George F. Marshall, Milford, Cath. priest.
									Milia McClair	" "	Housewife		
			Rosa Duval	"	22	"	Mill operative	Milford	Fred Duval	La Bair, Can	Carpenter	1	
									Mary Bush	St. Attanae, Can.	Housewife		
"	25	Milford	Charley Bergh	"	23	"	Stone cutter	Sweden	Carl Bergh	Sweden	Farmer	1	Frank L. Knapp, Milford, clergyman.
									Christine Johnson	"	Housewife		
			Hildah Nelson	"	27	"	Housework	Sweden	Nils Lawarson	"	Farmer	1	
									Anna Ericson	"	Housewife		
"	28	"	James H. Horsfall	"	23	"	Wool dyer	England	Benjamin Horsefall	England	Wool dyer	1	Chas. H. Dutton, Wilton, clergyman.
									Sarah Pickup		Housewife		
			Grace A. Lynch	"	22	"	At home	Wilton	Edward Lynch	New Boston	Stable keeper	1	
									Mary Cotton	Sutton	Housekeeper		
Oct.	4	"	John Boucher	"	30	"	Quarryman	St. Fabin, P. Q.	Amable Boucher	Tewistole, P. Q.	Farmer	1	George F. Marshall, Milford, Cath. priest.
									Delena Caron	St. Simon, P. Q.	Housewife		
			Maria La Parle	"	17	"	Housework	St. Malo, P. Q.	Theophile La Parle	St. Malo, P. Q.	Farmer	1	
									Alphonsine Corbielle	St. Malo, P. Q.	Housewife		
"	6	"	George A. Jennison	"	33	"	Prov. dealer	Walpole	John Jennison, Jr.	Walpole	Farmer	1	H. Porter Peck, Milford, clergyman.
									Mary E. Grout	Westminster, Vt.	Housekeeper		
			Nellie Harriett Dodge	"	35	"	Dressmaker	Bennington	Samuel Dodge	Bennington	Farmer	1	
									Lucinda S. Carr	Bennington	Housekeeper		
"	19	"	Daron W. Tuck	"	28	"	Drug clerk	Manchester, Mass.	Benjamin F. Tuck	Manchester, Mass.	Clergyman	1	Frank L. Knapp, Milford, clergyman.
									Lucy A. Sanborn	Bridgewater	Housewife		
			Fannie M. Beebe	"	21	"	Housework	Templeton, Mass.	Anson G. Beebe	Highgate, Vt.	Foreman	1	
									Mary E. Collins	Fitzwilliam	Housewife		
"	22	"	Albert L. Howard	"	68	"	Farmer	Lyndeborough	Samuel Howard		Farmer	2	Frank L. Knapp, Milford, clergyman.
									Sally Anes	Milford	Housewife		
			Sarah M. Parker	"	62	"	House bakery	Amherst	Josiah Parker	Hollis	Farmer	1	
									Maria A. Cash	Amherst	Housekeeper		
"	23	"	Azel P. Brigham	"	31	"	Painter	New York, N. Y.	Azel P. Brigham	Exeter	Painter	2	H. Porter Peck, Milford, clergyman.
									Mary L. Wilber	Lewiston, Me.	Housewife		
			Ida H. (Savage) Burtt	"	29	"	Housework	Wellesley, Mass.	John F. Savage	Greenfield	Farmer	2	
									Josephine A. Crosby.	Nashua	Housekeeper		
Nov.	3	"	William H. Elmes	"	20	"	Mechanic	Lawrence, Mass.	Robert Elmes	Lawrence, Mass.	Medium	1	H. Porter Peck, Milford, clergyman.
									Lillian M. Jones	Lawrence, Mass.	Housewife		
			Ida F. Wright	"	19	"	Housework	Nashua	Ephraim Wright	Brookline	Stone cutter	1	
									Emma S. Robbins	Nashua	Housewife		
"	18	"	Herbert M. Searles	"	22	"	R. R. fireman.	Milford	Edwin D. Searles	Methuen, Mass.	Farmer	1	Frank L. Knapp, Milford, clergyman.
									Fanny A. Field	Lawrence, Mass.	Housewife		
			Marcella E. Smith	"	18	"	Housework	Piermont	Anson C. Smith	Piermont.	Hosiery work	1	
									Annie C. Colby	Warren	Housework		

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Nov. 18	Milford	Herbert W. Crosby	Milford	25	W.	Farmer	Milford	George Crosby	Milford	Farmer	1	Chas. H. Dutton, Wilton, clergyman.
								Julia A. Fiske	Nashua	Housewife		
		Sadie N. Nutting	Wilton	19	"	Milliner	Mason	Augustus M. Nutting	Mason	Stone cutter	1	
								Emma L. Wood	Lawrence, N. Y.	Housewife		
" 20	"	Ludlow M. Hutchin'n [Dorcett	Milford	32	"	Mechanic	Milford	Justin E. Hutchinson	Milford	Printer	2	Frank L. Knapp, Milford, clergyman.
								Mary Lewis	Ireland	Housewife		
		Lydia J. (Martell)	"	30	"	Housework	Grand Isle, Vt.	Bazil Martell	St. Lawrence, P.Q.	Farmer	2	
								Malisa La Plant	St. Lawrence, P.Q.	Housework		
Dec. 11	"	Ernest J. Perry	"	31	"	Granite cutter	Winchester	George T. Perry	Swanzey	At home	1	James Goodwin, Nashua, clergyman.
								Eliza S. Reed		Housewife		
		Lucy Goddard	Sherbrook, Can.	28	"	Tailoress	Sherbrooke, Can.	William Goddard		Farmer	1	
										Housewife		
" 14	"	Walter B. Merrill	Milford	24	"	Poultry & eggs	Milford	Calvin Merrill	Milford	Lumbering	1	Frank L. Knapp, Milford, clergyman.
								Lizzie M. Wheeler	Amherst	Housewife		
		Alice G. Riddle	"	28	"	Housework	Amherst	Charles A. Riddle	Amherst	Laborer	1	
								Dolly Gardner	Bedford	Housewife		
" 18	"	Charle Felli	"	29	"	Stone cutter	Italy	Gio Antonio Felli	Italy	Stone cutter	1	H. Porter Peck Milford, clergyman.
								M. Carolina Marcota	"	Cook		
		Guidette Rossi	"	29	"	Dressmaker	Italy	Charle Rossi	"	Stone cutter	1	
								Filomena Soldini	"	Dressmaker		

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J. M. LAWS, *Town Clerk.*

Deaths Registered in the Town of Milford, for the Year ending December 31, 1897.

Date of death.	Place of death.	Name and surname of the deceased.	Age. Years.	Age. Months.	Age. Days.	Place of birth.	Sex.	Color.	Single, married or widowed.	Occupation.	Place of birth. Father.	Place of birth. Mother.	Name of father.	Maiden name of mother.
Jan. 4	All in Milford.	Frank S. Poland	..	..	13	Milford	M.	W.	....	.....	New York	New York	Jesse L. Poland	Ella Wheeler.
" 9		Emily S. Ball	76	5	..	"	F.	"	S.	Housekeeper	Concord, Mass.	Portsmouth	Briggs Ball	Hannah Akerman.
" 12		Granville Turner	81	3	7	"	M.	"	W.	Carpenter	Harvard, Mass.	Harvard, Mass.	Caleb Turner	Sally Conn.
" 15		Eunice Buss Gutterson	87	3	13	Wilton	F.	"	"	Housewife	Wilton	Wilton	Richard Buss	Betsey Ballard.
" 23		Kendall M. Gray	70	9	..	Hancock	M.	"	M.	Merchant	Hancock	.....	William Gray	Rhoda Barker.
Feb. 10		Eben W. Larrabee	87	9	..	Lynnfield, Mass.	"	"	W.	Laborer	Merrimack	Salem, Mass.	William Larrabee	Mary Jameson.
" 15		Cynthia K. Hutchinson	77	..	..	Hancock	F.	"	"	Housewife	New Ipswich	New Ipswich	Asa Knight	Melinda Adams.
" 18		Clarence M. Bruce	54	..	..	Greenwood, Mass.	M.	"	"	Grocer	Mont Vernon	Greenwood, Ms.	Nathaniel F. Bruce	Harriett N. Olliver.
" 20		Nellie May Brown	2	11	2	Milford	F.	"	....	.....	Brookville, N. S	New Haven, Vt.	William S. Brown	Ellen Fortune.
Mar. 4		Bert Edwards Batten	..	3	2	Boston, Mass.	M.	"	....	.....	Milford	Fitchburg, Mass	Chester C. Wilkins	Lottie Batten.
" 4		Joel Shedd	63	4	19	Milford	"	"	M.	Farmer	Tewksbury, Ms.	Andover, Mass.	Peter F. Shedd	Mary Blunt.
" 8		Rebecca J. Wright	80	2	2	Mt. Holly, Vt.	F.	"	"	Housewife	Hollis	Hollis	Daniel Jaquith	Abigail Smith.
" 20		Dot Sears	..	1	7	Milford	"	"	....	.....	Milford	Perkinsville, Vt	Frank N. Sears	Lilla M. Pike.
" 23		Thomas Ryan	..	..	1	"	M.	"	....	.....	Amherst	Woburn, Mass.	Eugene Ryan	Helen A. Ryan.
" 29		Hamilton P. Darracott	55	4	19	Wilton	"	"	M.	Machinist	Milford	Mason	William Darracott	Caroline L. Putnam.
Apr. 2		Elizabeth Parker	66	..	..	Milford	F.	"	S.	Housekeeper	Amherst	Billerica, Mass.	Ephraim Parker	Rebecca Douce.
" 24		Ephraim B. Blake	83	..	30	Thornton	M.	"	W.	Farmer	Campton	Morgan, Vt.	Nathan Blake	Mary C. Colby.
May 15		Mattie H. Gutterson	20	6	..	Wilton	F.	"	M.	Housewife	Milford	Wilton	Frank E. Hutchinson	Mary Jacques.
" 24		Eugene E. Foster	53	9	9	Temple	M.	"	"	Marketman	Temple	Temple	Joshua Foster	Mary Heald.
" 25		Lucy Amanda Needham	70	6	..	Lowell, Mass.	F.	"	"	Housewife	Fitchburg, Mass	Stoddard	Levi McIntire	Mary Tuttle.
" 28		Elizabeth L. Curtis	77	..	..	Mont Vernon	"	"	"	"	Mont Vernon	New Boston	Mark D. Langdell	Lucy W. Whipple.
June 8		Lavinia H. Putnam	74	2	..	Milford	"	"	"	"	Oakham, Mass.	Milford	Martin W. Hall	Nancy Duncklee.
" 17		Levi Curtis	83	9	..	Lyndeborough	M.	"	W.	Farmer	Lyndeborough	.....	Levi Curtis	Sarah Ellingwood.
" 19		Elmer Leroy Clair	2	1	..	Concord	"	"	....	.....	Italy	Douglass, Mass.	Milo Clair	Eva Greenwood.
" 21		Emily D. Pearson	94	..	..	Claremont	F.	"	W.	None	.....	.....	Alden	
July 4		Sarah S. Reed	73	10	..	Westford, Mass	"	"	"	Housekeeper	Chelmsford, Ms.	Acton, Mass.	Gilbert Parker	Sarah White.
" 5		Stephen F. Shirley	77	2	..	Conway	M.	"	M.	Mason	Fryeburg, Me	Conway	Edward Shirley	Patty Thompson.
" 10		Delia Hatch	68	8	13	Gardiner, Me.	F.	"	W.	Housewife	Nelson	Troy	Thomas Brown	Nancy Tolman.
" 13		Nellie De Montigney	1	5	..	Milford	"	"	....	.....	Montreal, Can.	St. John, N. B	Henry De Montigney	Belle Resada.
" 19		James Scott	54	..	..	Brooklyn, N. Y.	M.	"	M.	Painter	.....	.....	Clarence Scott	
" 22		Joseph L. Micheau	25	5	10	Milford	"	"	S.	Stone cutter	Canada	Canada	Joseph Micheau	Sezarine Bouchi.
" 26		Bertie E. Manning	18	..	15	"	"	"	"	None	Boston, Mass.	Milford	Charles L. Manning	Ella Willoby.
" 29		William H. W. Hinds	64	..	..	Chichester	"	"	W.	Physician	Chichester	Bow	Barzilla Hinds	Salina Aldrich.

Aug.	1	Thomas O'Shea	80	..	..	County Clare, Ire.	"	"	M.	Laborer	Ireland	Ireland	John O'Shea	Margaret Shannon.
"	1	*Emil Ulysses Wheeler	..	..	..	Milford	"	"	....		Hollis	Lawrence, Mass	Ulysses A. Wheeler	Lucy B. Mills.
"	24	Wilfred Villaincourt	..	11	..	"	"	"	....		St. George, P.Q.	Canada	Adolphe Villaincourt	Emilie Boneufant.
"	28	Elizabeth M. Colburn	70	10	5	"	F.	"	M.	Housewife	Milford	Milford	Joseph Clark	Maria B. Knowlton.
"	29	Abbie Julia Colby	49	9	1		"	"	"	"	"	Dunstable, Ms.	Washington Colburn	Relief T. Wright.
"	30	Mary P. LeClair	..	7	..	Milford	"	"	....		St.Germain,P.Q	St.Camille, P. Q	Albert LeClair	Rosanna Pinard.
Sept.	1	Minnie May Sizemore	7	1	28	Manchester	"	"	....		Macon, Ga	Moore'sF's,N.Y.	John Wesley Sizemore	Nettie Wheeler.
"	17	Mary Margaret Bruce	1	..	12	Stoneham, Mass	"	"	....		Greenwood, Ms.	Portland, Me.	Nathaniel E. Bruce	Lizzie E. Johnston.
"	26	Arthur J. DeMontigney.	..	1	21	Milford	M.	"	....		Montreal, Can.	St. John, N. B.	Henry De Montigney	Belle Resada.
Oct.	11	Lenore L. Buckley	25	9	..	Wilton	F.	"	M.	Housewife	St. Seraine,Can.	Canada	Crist Liberty	Margaret Le Claire.
"	17	Mildred Berry	..	4	16	Milford	"	"	....		Pittsfield	Salem	Smith Berry	Kate B. Stevens.
"	21	Frank Zimri Smith	44	..	4	Francestown	M.	"	M.	Painter	Mont Vernon.	Vermont	Lewis W. Smith	Cynthia Mitchell.
"	30	Rachel Serena Ward	82	7	24	Milford	F.	"	W.	Housewife	Amherst	Milford	Samuel Goss	Jerusha Blanchard.
Nov.	10	Patrick Dillon	53	..	..	CountyLimerick, Ire	M.	"	M.	Mill overseer	Ireland	Ireland	John Dillon	Mary.
"	15	Enos S. White	57	10	..	Waterford, Vt.	"	"	"	Laborer				
"	25	Paul C. Wetherell	85	..	..	Norridgewock, Me.	"	"	W.	Stone mason		Maine	George Wetherell	Hannah Page.
"	26	Lavinia Bates Pendleton	90	6	..	Camden, Me.	F.	"	"	None	Brunswick, Me.	Brunswick, Me.	Hosea Bates	Sally Higgins.
Dec.	4	George F. Bartlett	71	9	..	Milford	M.	"	"	Farmer	Milford	Francestown	Abram Bartlett	Sally Fisher.
"	6	Anastatia C. O'Brien	..	3	11	"	F.	"	....		Mont Vernon	Woburn, Mass.	Joseph T. O'Brien	Mary Calnan.
"	8	Mary Buckley	..	2	7	"	"	"	....		Milford	Manchester	George W. Buckley	Nellie A. Shaughnessey.
"	9	Augustus W. Burt	80	..	..	Rindge	M.	"	W.	Mill overseer				
"	13	Mary Isabelle Daly	..	3	..	Fitchburg, Mass	F.	"	....		Keene	Cleveland, Ind.	P. J. Daly	Nellie Jones.
"	24	Florence E. Hutchinson.	26	10	10	Milford	"	"	M.	Housewife	New Ipswich	Merrimack	Frank I. Smith	Esther M. Fuller.
"	26	†Lovell J. Sherman	..	..	..	"	M.	"	....		Stoughton,Mass	Dover	James L. Sherman	Stella R. Abbott.
"	28	‡Solomon Ellis	..	..	..	"	"	"	....		Russia	Russia	Jacob G. Ellis	Minnie Prenskey.

All in Milford.

* Six hours. † Five hours. ‡ A few minutes.

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